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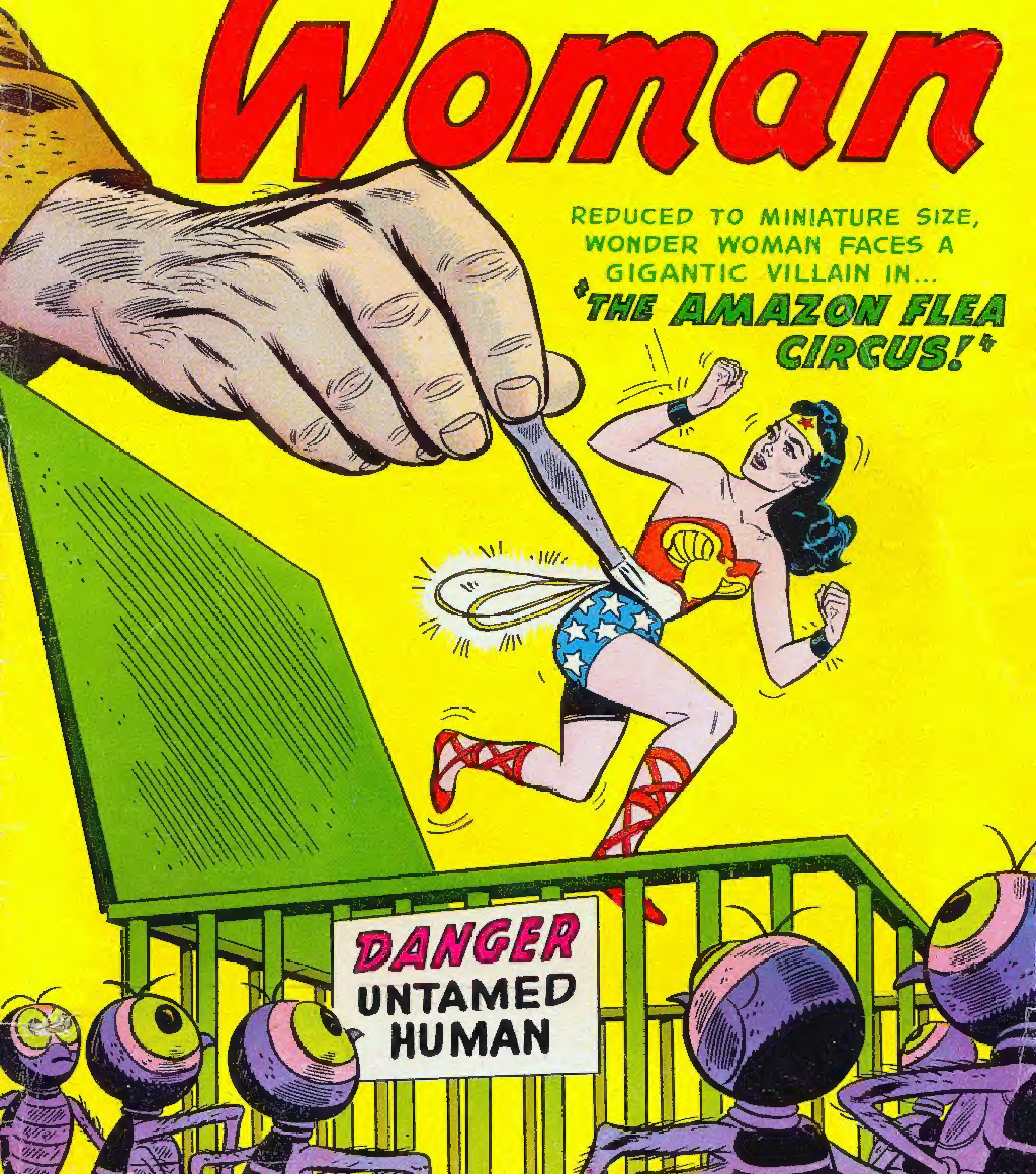

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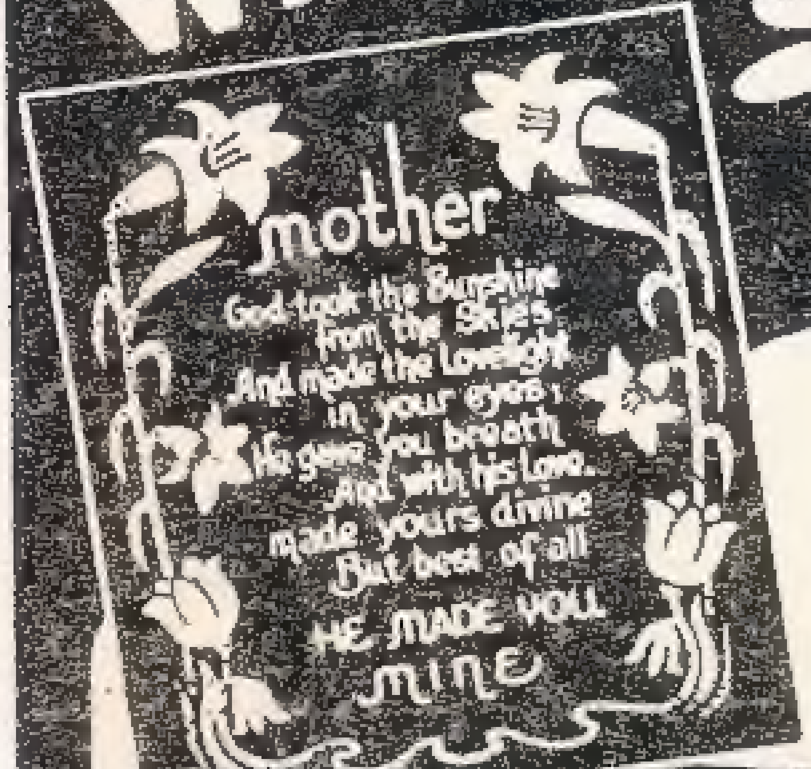
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God took the Sunshine
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He gave you breath
And with his Love
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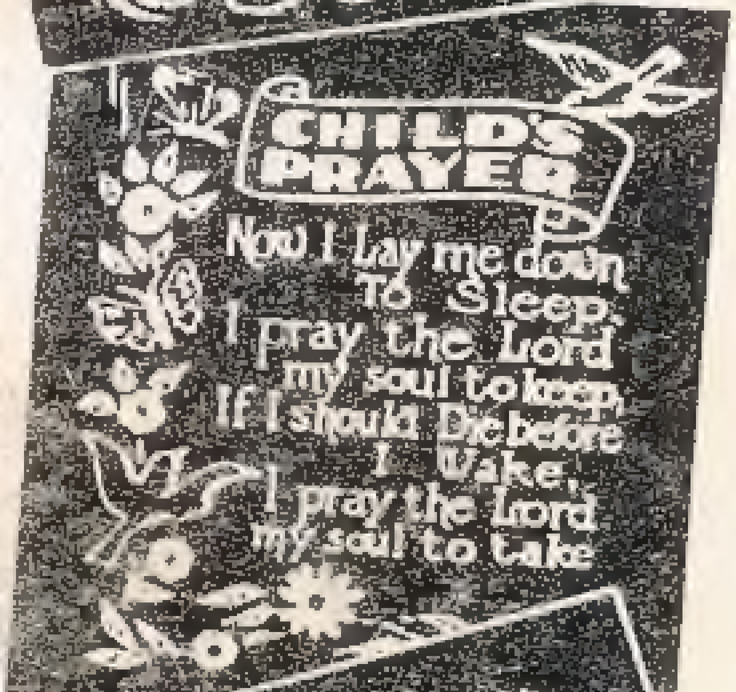
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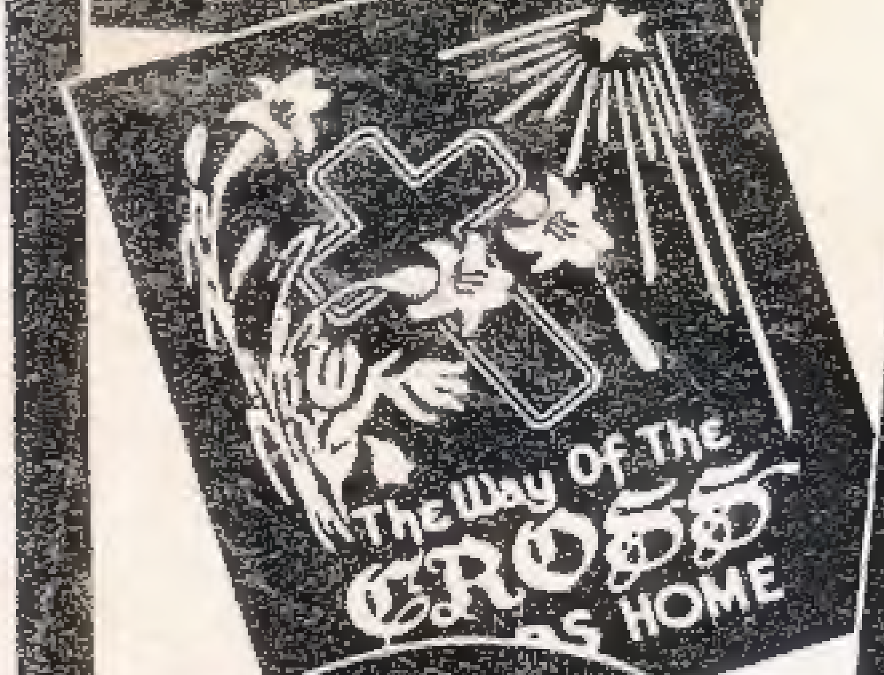
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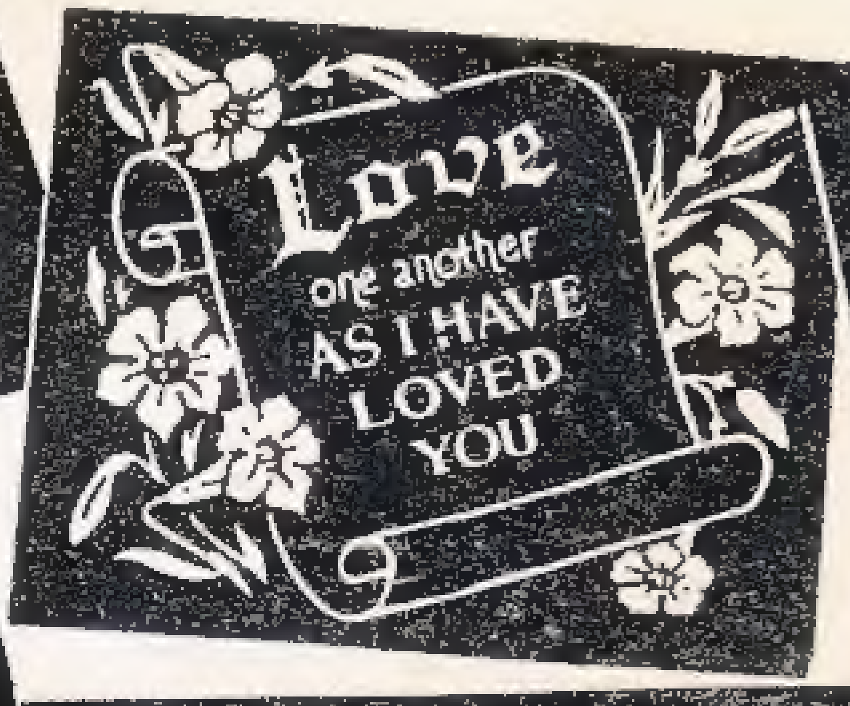
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AS I HAVE
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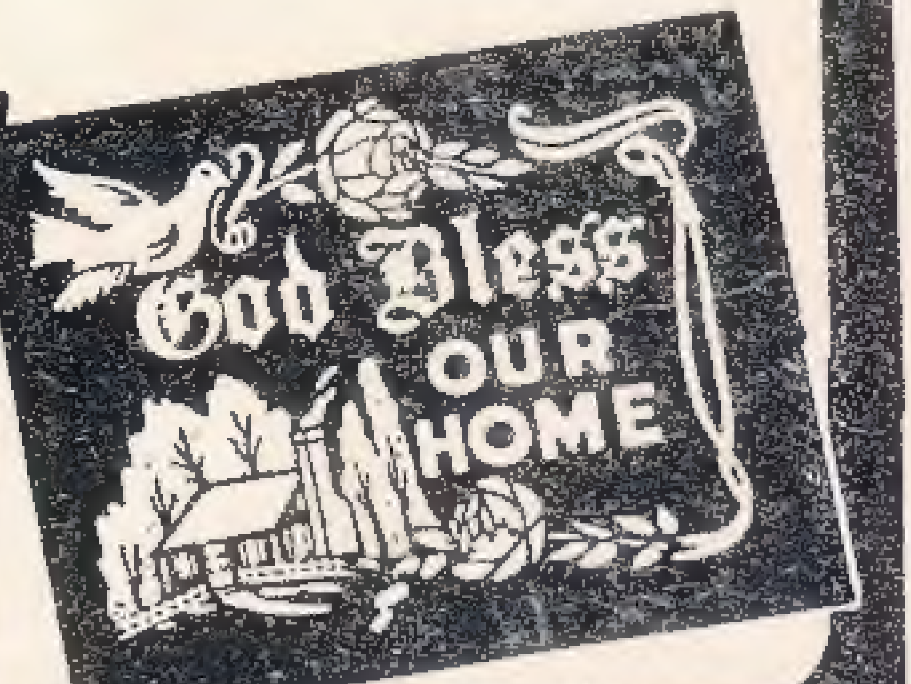
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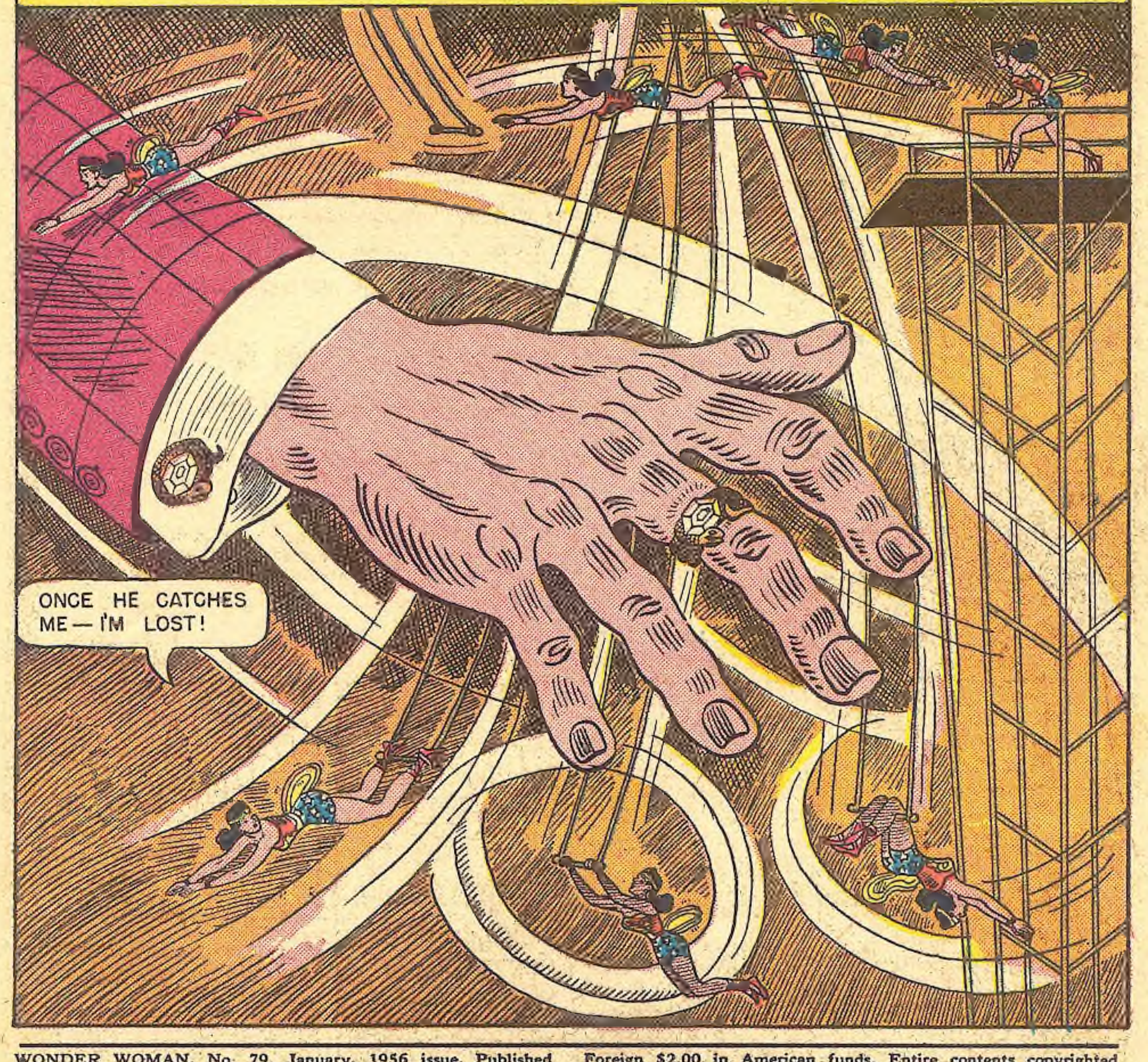
Wonder Woman

By CHARLES MOULTON

WE ALL KNOW FROM OBSERVATION THAT A MERE BREATH CAN SEND A FLEA TUMBLING OVER! YET, **WONDER WOMAN**—BEAUTIFUL AS APHRODITE, WISE AS ATHENA, SWIFTER THAN MERCURY, AND STRONGER THAN HERCULES—MUST BATTLE A GIGANTIC, DIABOLICAL VILLAIN IN THE MOST SENSATIONAL ADVENTURE OF HER CAREER, IN THE STARTLING TALE OF----

"WONDER WOMAN *in* THE AMAZON FLEA CIRCUS!"


ONCE HE CATCHES ME—I'M LOST!

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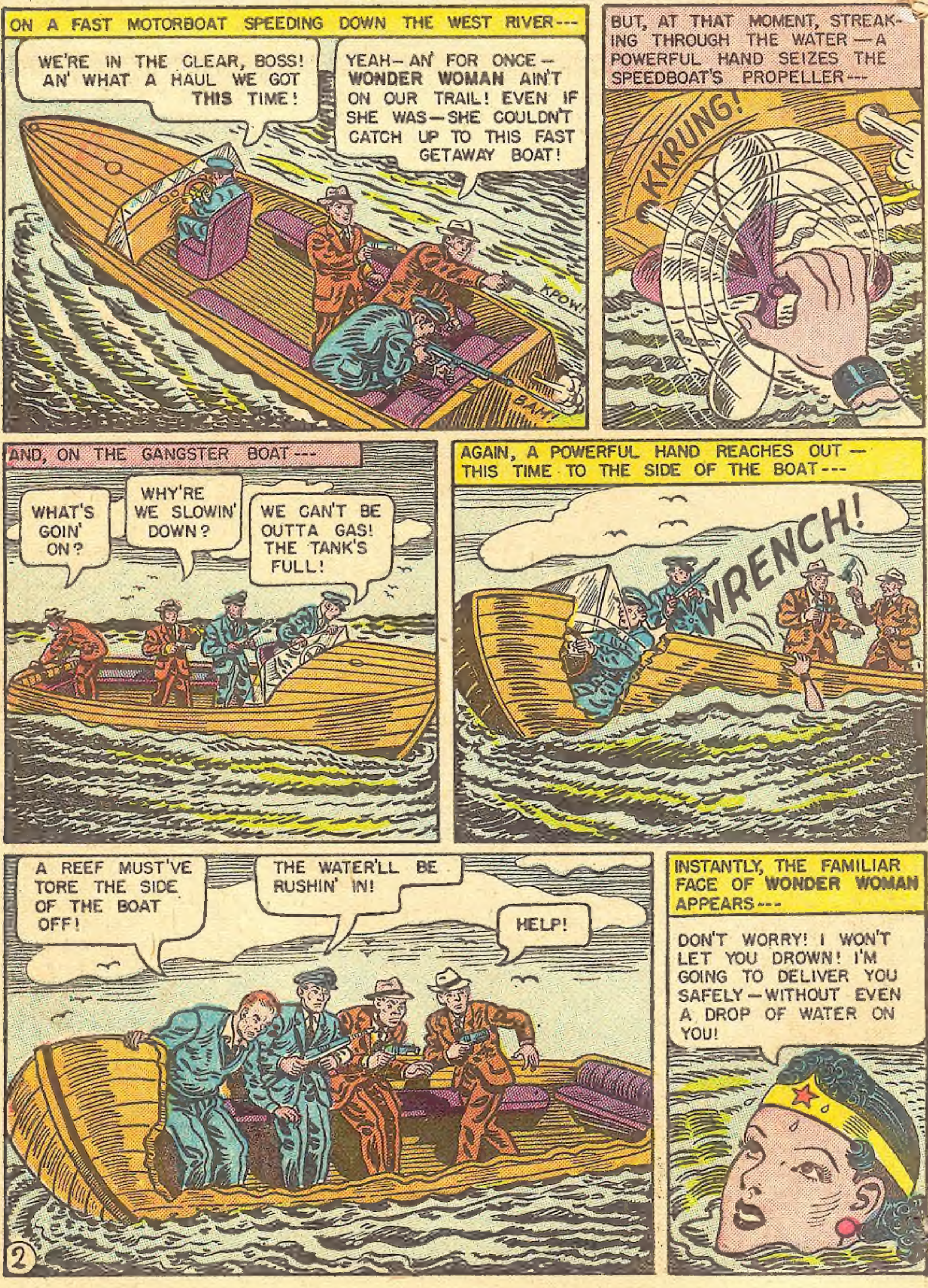
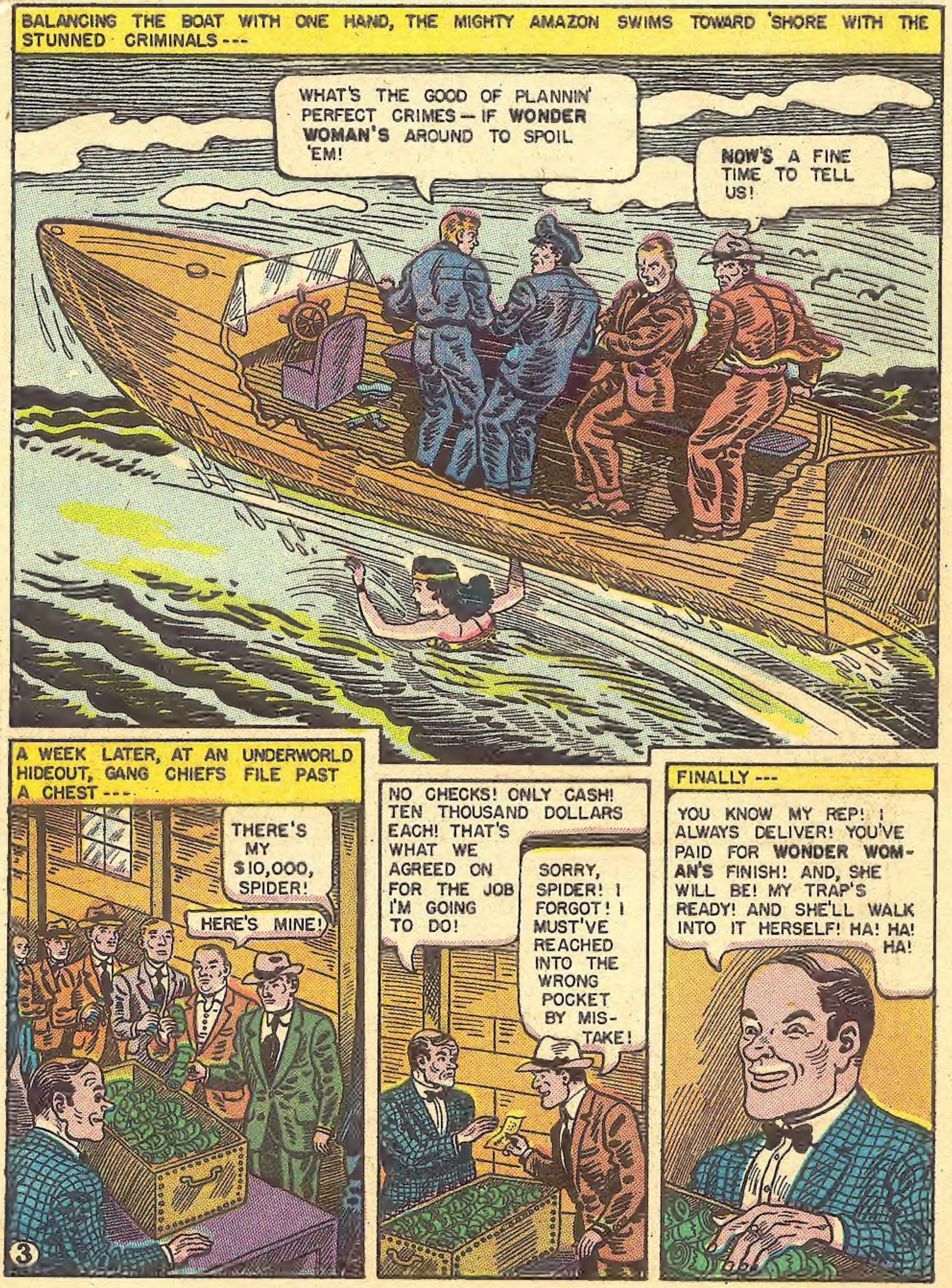
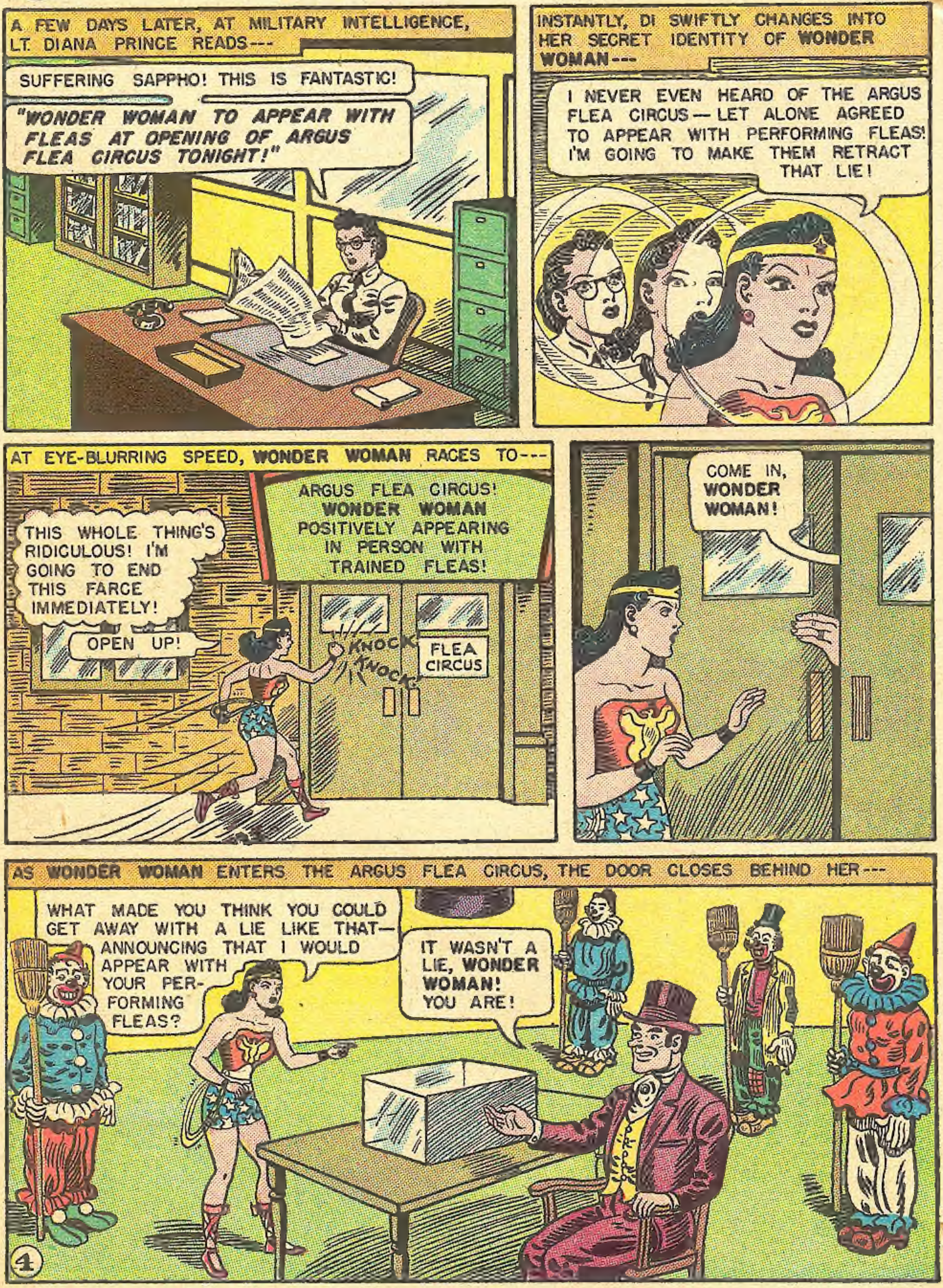
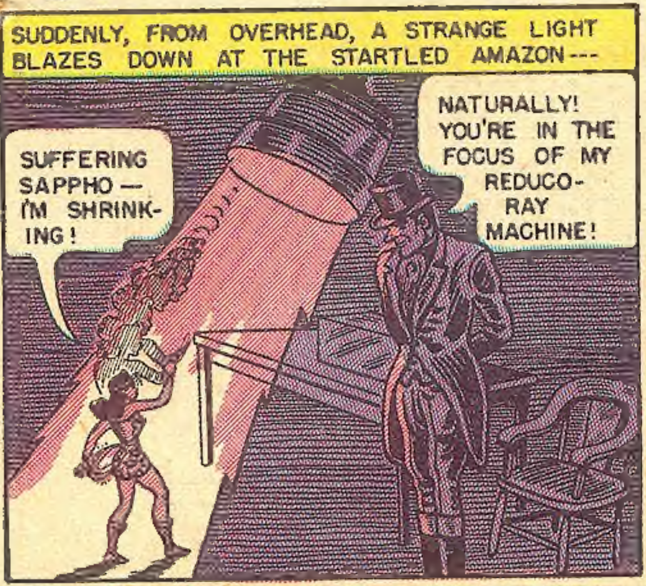
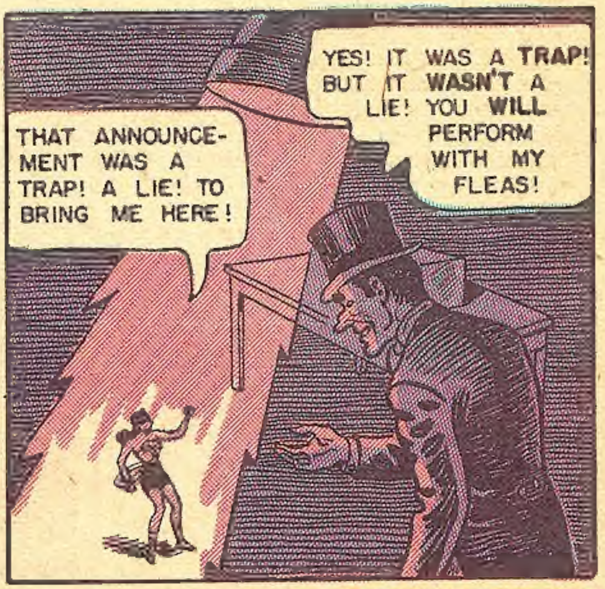
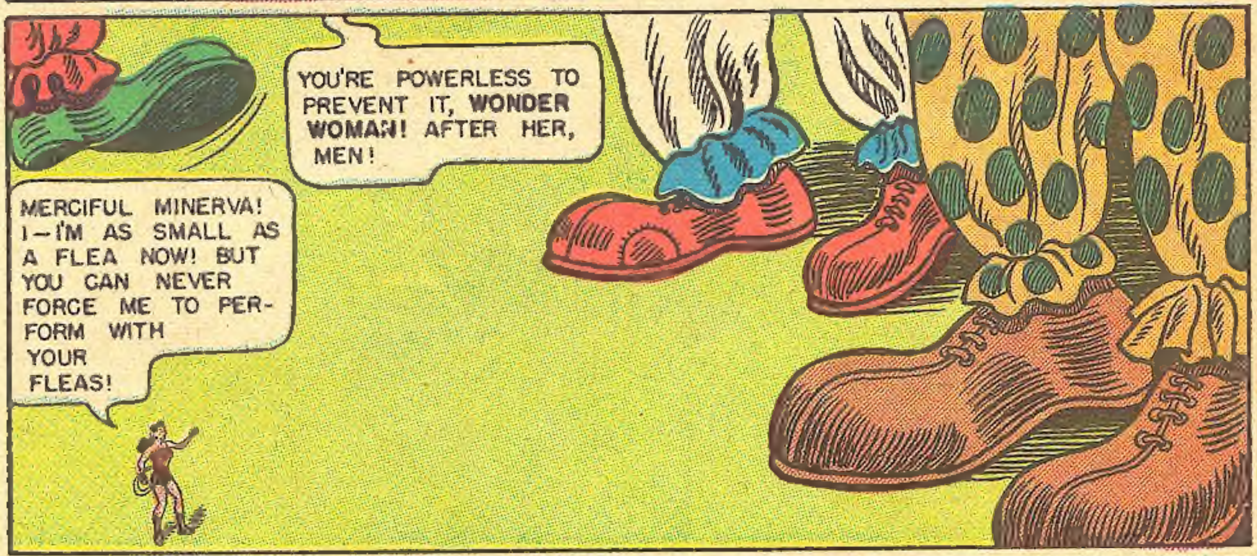

ON A FAST MOTORBOAT SPEEDING DOWN THE WEST RIVER---
WE'RE IN THE CLEAR, BOSS! AN' WHAT A HAUL WE GOT THIS TIME!
YEAH—AN' FOR ONCE—WONDER WOMAN AIN'T ON OUR TRAIL! EVEN IF SHE WAS—SHE COULDN'T CATCH UP TO THIS FAST GETAWAY BOAT!
KPOW!
BAM!
BUT, AT THAT MOMENT, STREAKING THROUGH THE WATER—A POWERFUL HAND SEIZES THE SPEEDBOAT'S PROPELLER---
KKRUNG!
AND, ON THE GANGSTER BOAT---
WHAT'S GOIN' ON?
WHY'RE WE SLOWIN' DOWN?
WE CAN'T BE OUTTA GAS! THE TANK'S FULL!
AGAIN, A POWERFUL HAND REACHES OUT—THIS TIME TO THE SIDE OF THE BOAT---
WRENCH!
A REEF MUST'VE TORE THE SIDE OF THE BOAT OFF!
THE WATER'LL BE RUSHIN' IN!
HELP!
INSTANTLY, THE FAMILIAR FACE OF WONDER WOMAN APPEARS---
DON'T WORRY! I WON'T LET YOU DROWN! I'M GOING TO DELIVER YOU SAFELY—WITHOUT EVEN A DROP OF WATER ON YOU!

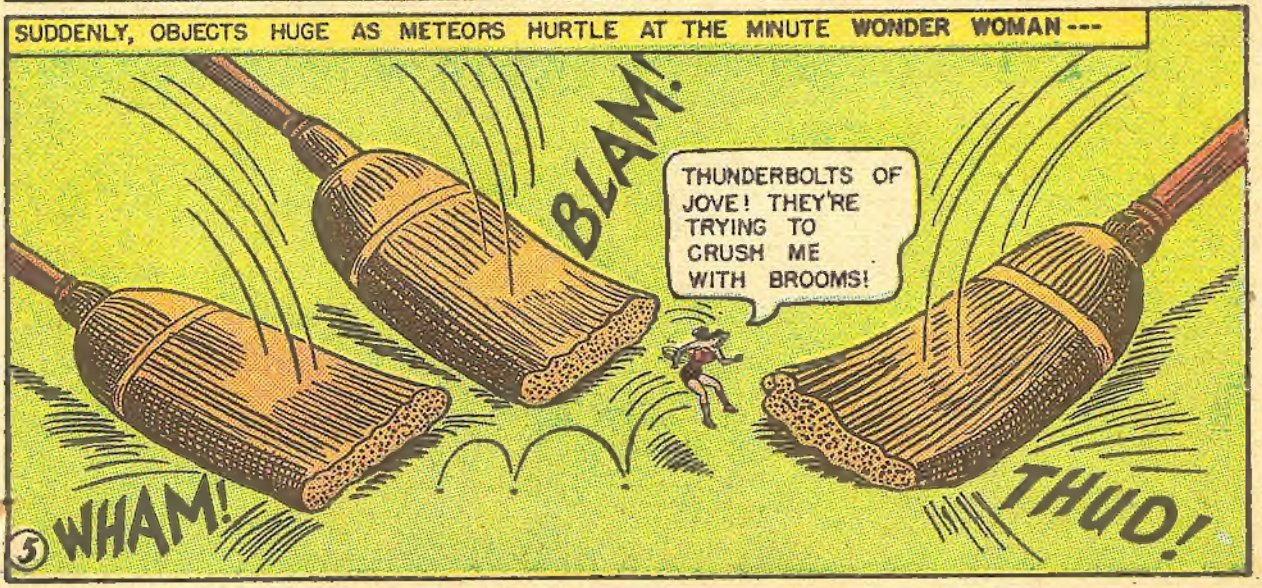

BALANCING THE BOAT WITH ONE HAND, THE MIGHTY AMAZON SWIMS TOWARD SHORE WITH THE STUNNED CRIMINALS---
WHAT'S THE GOOD OF PLANNIN' PERFECT CRIMES — IF WONDER WOMAN'S AROUND TO SPOIL 'EM!
NOW'S A FINE TIME TO TELL US!
A WEEK LATER, AT AN UNDERWORLD HIDEOUT, GANG CHIEFS FILE PAST A CHEST---
THERE'S MY $10,000, SPIDER!
HERE'S MINE!
NO CHECKS! ONLY CASH! TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS EACH! THAT'S WHAT WE AGREED ON FOR THE JOB I'M GOING TO DO!
SORRY, SPIDER! I FORGOT! I MUST'VE REACHED INTO THE WRONG POCKET BY MISTAKE!
FINALLY---
YOU KNOW MY REP! I ALWAYS DELIVER! YOU'VE PAID FOR WONDER WOMAN'S FINISH! AND, SHE WILL BE! MY TRAP'S READY! AND SHE'LL WALK INTO IT HERSELF! HA! HA! HA!

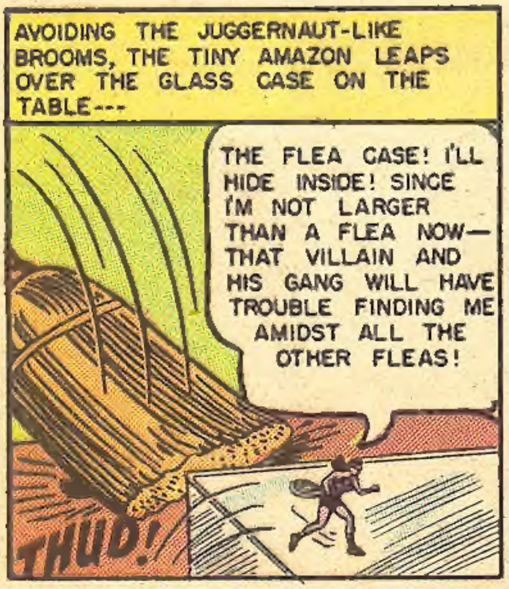

A FEW DAYS LATER, AT MILITARY INTELLIGENCE, LT. DIANA PRINCE READS---
SUFFERING SAPPHO! THIS IS FANTASTIC!
"WONDER WOMAN TO APPEAR WITH FLEAS AT OPENING OF ARGUS FLEA CIRCUS TONIGHT!"
INSTANTLY, DI SWIFTLY CHANGES INTO HER SECRET IDENTITY OF WONDER WOMAN---
I NEVER EVEN HEARD OF THE ARGUS FLEA CIRCUS — LET ALONE AGREED TO APPEAR WITH PERFORMING FLEAS! I'M GOING TO MAKE THEM RETRACT THAT LIE!
AT EYE-BLURRING SPEED, WONDER WOMAN RACES TO---
ARGUS FLEA CIRCUS! WONDER WOMAN POSITIVELY APPEARING IN PERSON WITH TRAINED FLEAS!
THIS WHOLE THING'S RIDICULOUS! I'M GOING TO END THIS FARCE IMMEDIATELY!
OPEN UP!
KNOCK KNOCK
FLEA CIRCUS
COME IN, WONDER WOMAN!
AS WONDER WOMAN ENTERS THE ARGUS FLEA CIRCUS, THE DOOR CLOSES BEHIND HER---
WHAT MADE YOU THINK YOU COULD GET AWAY WITH A LIE LIKE THAT— ANNOUNCING THAT I WOULD APPEAR WITH YOUR PERFORMING FLEAS?
IT WASN'T A LIE, WONDER WOMAN! YOU ARE!

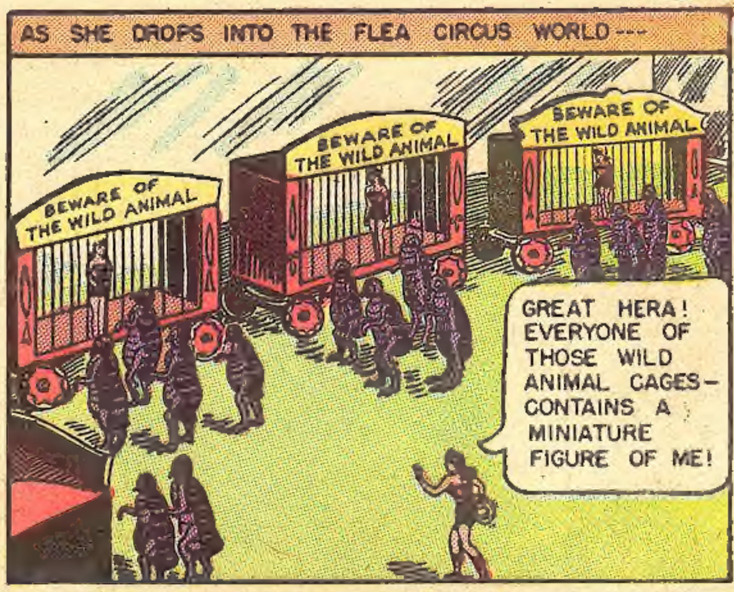

SUDDENLY, FROM OVERHEAD, A STRANGE LIGHT BLAZES DOWN AT THE STARTLED AMAZON---
SUFFERING SAPPHO — I'M SHRINKING!
NATURALLY! YOU'RE IN THE FOCUS OF MY REDUCO-RAY MACHINE!


THAT ANNOUNCEMENT WAS A TRAP! A LIE! TO BRING ME HERE!
YES! IT WAS A **TRAP!** BUT IT **WASN'T** A LIE! YOU **WILL** PERFORM WITH MY FLEAS!


YOU'RE POWERLESS TO PREVENT IT, **WONDER WOMAN!** AFTER HER, MEN!
MERCIFUL MINERVA! I—I'M AS SMALL AS A FLEA NOW! BUT YOU CAN NEVER FORCE ME TO PERFORM WITH YOUR FLEAS!


SUDDENLY, OBJECTS HUGE AS METEORS HURTLE AT THE MINUTE **WONDER WOMAN**---
BLAM!
THUNDERBOLTS OF JOVE! THEY'RE TRYING TO CRUSH ME WITH BROOMS!
WHAM!
THUD!


AVOIDING THE JUGGERNAUT-LIKE BROOMS, THE TINY AMAZON LEAPS OVER THE GLASS CASE ON THE TABLE---
THE FLEA CASE! I'LL HIDE INSIDE! SINCE I'M NOT LARGER THAN A FLEA NOW— THAT VILLAIN AND HIS GANG WILL HAVE TROUBLE FINDING ME AMIDST ALL THE OTHER FLEAS!
THUD!


AS SHE DROPS INTO THE FLEA CIRCUS WORLD---
BEWARE OF THE WILD ANIMAL
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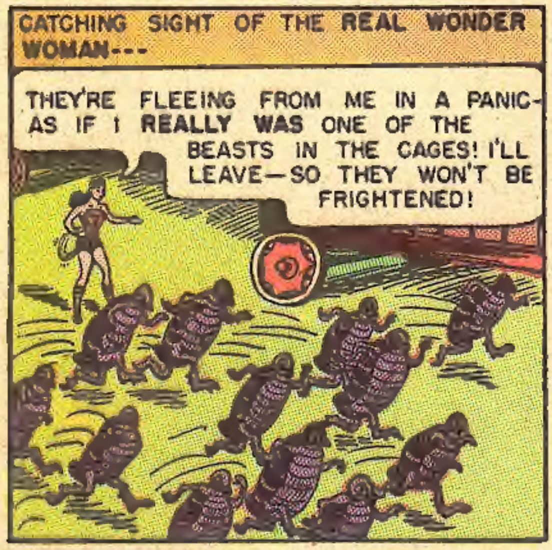
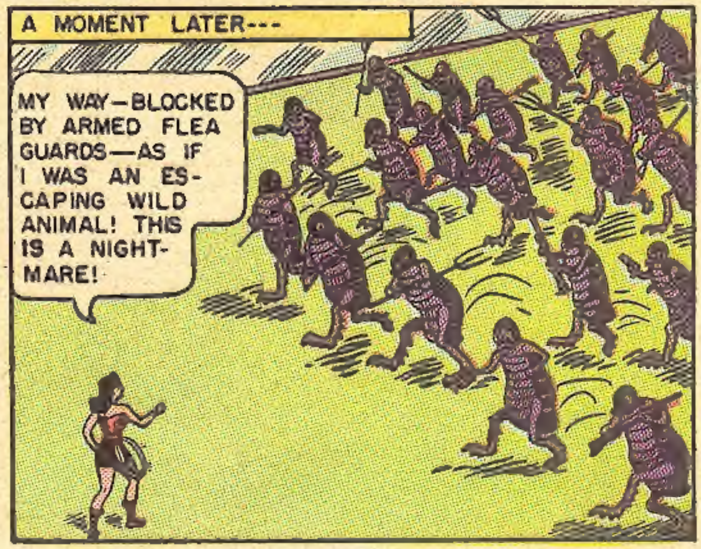
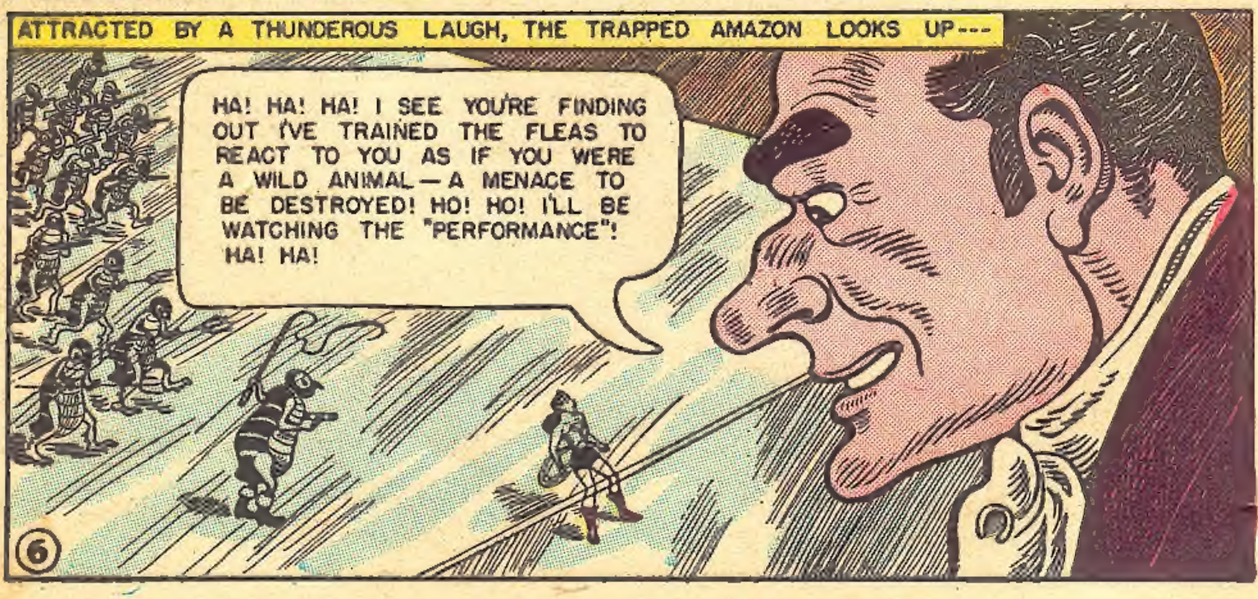
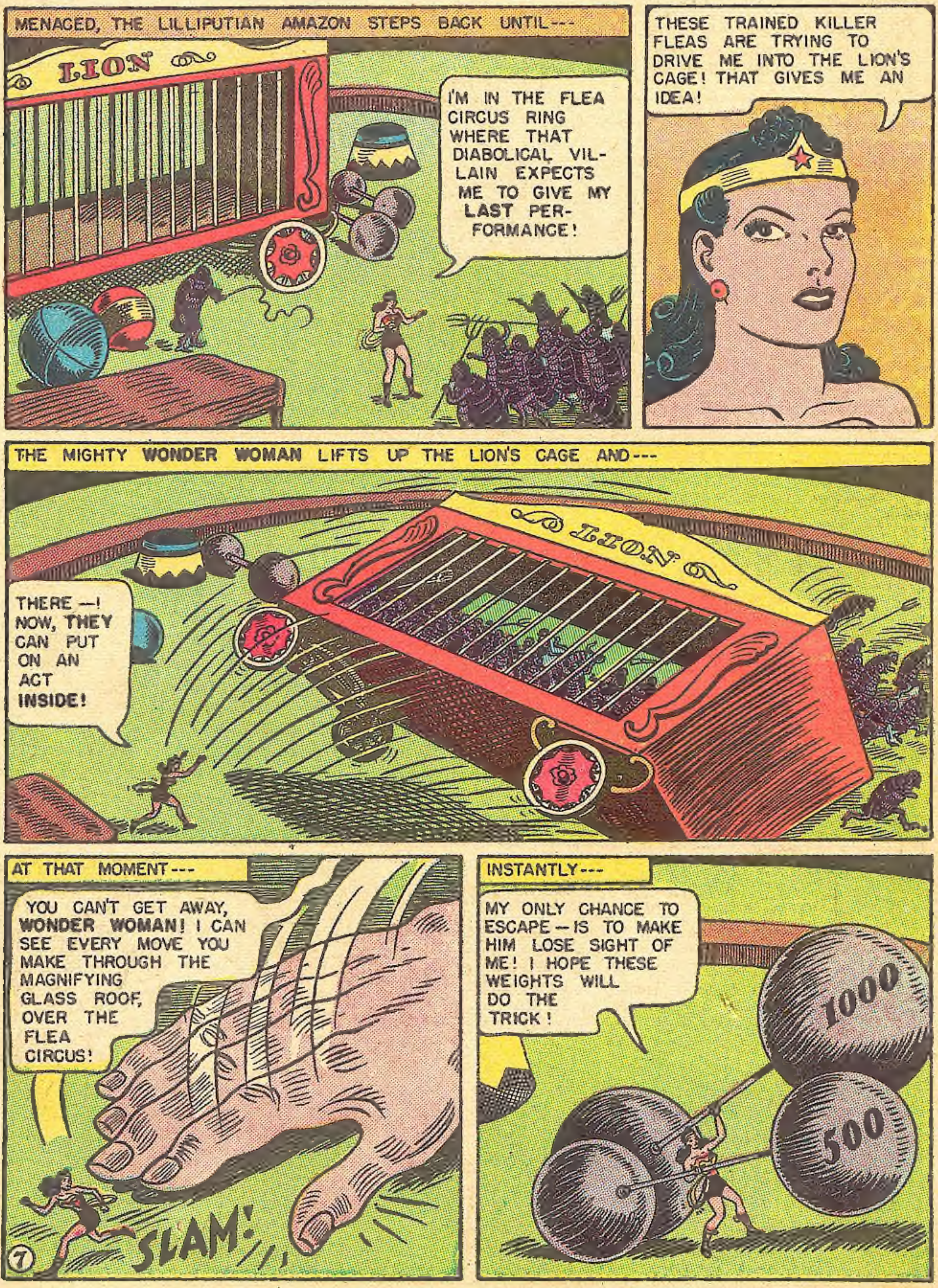
GREAT HERA! EVERYONE OF THOSE WILD ANIMAL CAGES— CONTAINS A MINIATURE FIGURE OF ME!


CATCHING SIGHT OF THE REAL WONDER WOMAN---
THEY'RE FLEEING FROM ME IN A PANIC— AS IF I REALLY WAS ONE OF THE BEASTS IN THE CAGES! I'LL LEAVE—SO THEY WON'T BE FRIGHTENED!


A MOMENT LATER---
MY WAY—BLOCKED BY ARMED FLEA GUARDS—AS IF I WAS AN ESCAPING WILD ANIMAL! THIS IS A NIGHTMARE!


ATTRACTED BY A THUNDEROUS LAUGH, THE TRAPPED AMAZON LOOKS UP---
HA! HA! HA! I SEE YOU'RE FINDING OUT I'VE TRAINED THE FLEAS TO REACT TO YOU AS IF YOU WERE A WILD ANIMAL—A MENACE TO BE DESTROYED! HO! HO! I'LL BE WATCHING THE "PERFORMANCE"! HA! HA!


MENACED, THE LILLIPUTIAN AMAZON STEPS BACK UNTIL---
LION
I'M IN THE FLEA CIRCUS RING WHERE THAT DIABOLICAL VILLAIN EXPECTS ME TO GIVE MY LAST PERFORMANCE!
THESE TRAINED KILLER FLEAS ARE TRYING TO DRIVE ME INTO THE LION'S CAGE! THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA!
THE MIGHTY WONDER WOMAN LIFTS UP THE LION'S CAGE AND---
LION
THERE --! NOW, THEY CAN PUT ON AN ACT INSIDE!
AT THAT MOMENT---
YOU CAN'T GET AWAY, WONDER WOMAN! I CAN SEE EVERY MOVE YOU MAKE THROUGH THE MAGNIFYING GLASS ROOF, OVER THE FLEA CIRCUS!
SLAM!
INSTANTLY---
MY ONLY CHANCE TO ESCAPE -- IS TO MAKE HIM LOSE SIGHT OF ME! I HOPE THESE WEIGHTS WILL DO THE TRICK!
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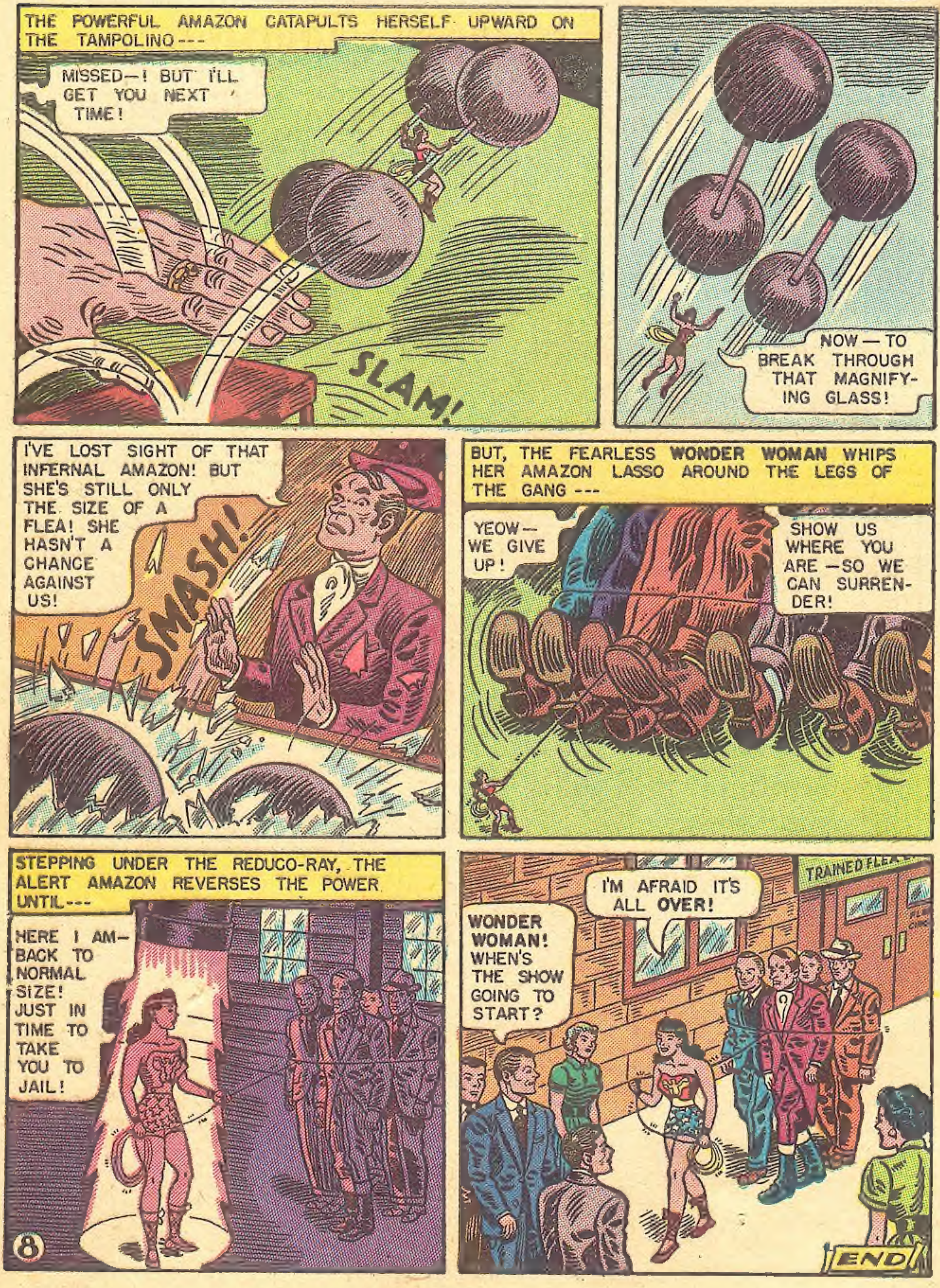
THE POWERFUL AMAZON CATAPULTS HERSELF UPWARD ON THE TAMPOLINO---
MISSED--! BUT I'LL GET YOU NEXT TIME!
SLAM!
NOW -- TO BREAK THROUGH THAT MAGNIFYING GLASS!
I'VE LOST SIGHT OF THAT INFERNAL AMAZON! BUT SHE'S STILL ONLY THE SIZE OF A FLEA! SHE HASN'T A CHANCE AGAINST US!
SMASH!
BUT, THE FEARLESS WONDER WOMAN WHIPS HER AMAZON LASSO AROUND THE LEGS OF THE GANG---
YEOW-- WE GIVE UP!
SHOW US WHERE YOU ARE --SO WE CAN SURRENDER!
STEPPING UNDER THE REDUCO-RAY, THE ALERT AMAZON REVERSES THE POWER UNTIL---
HERE I AM-- BACK TO NORMAL SIZE! JUST IN TIME TO TAKE YOU TO JAIL!
TRAINED FLEA
WONDER WOMAN! WHEN'S THE SHOW GOING TO START?
I'M AFRAID IT'S ALL OVER!
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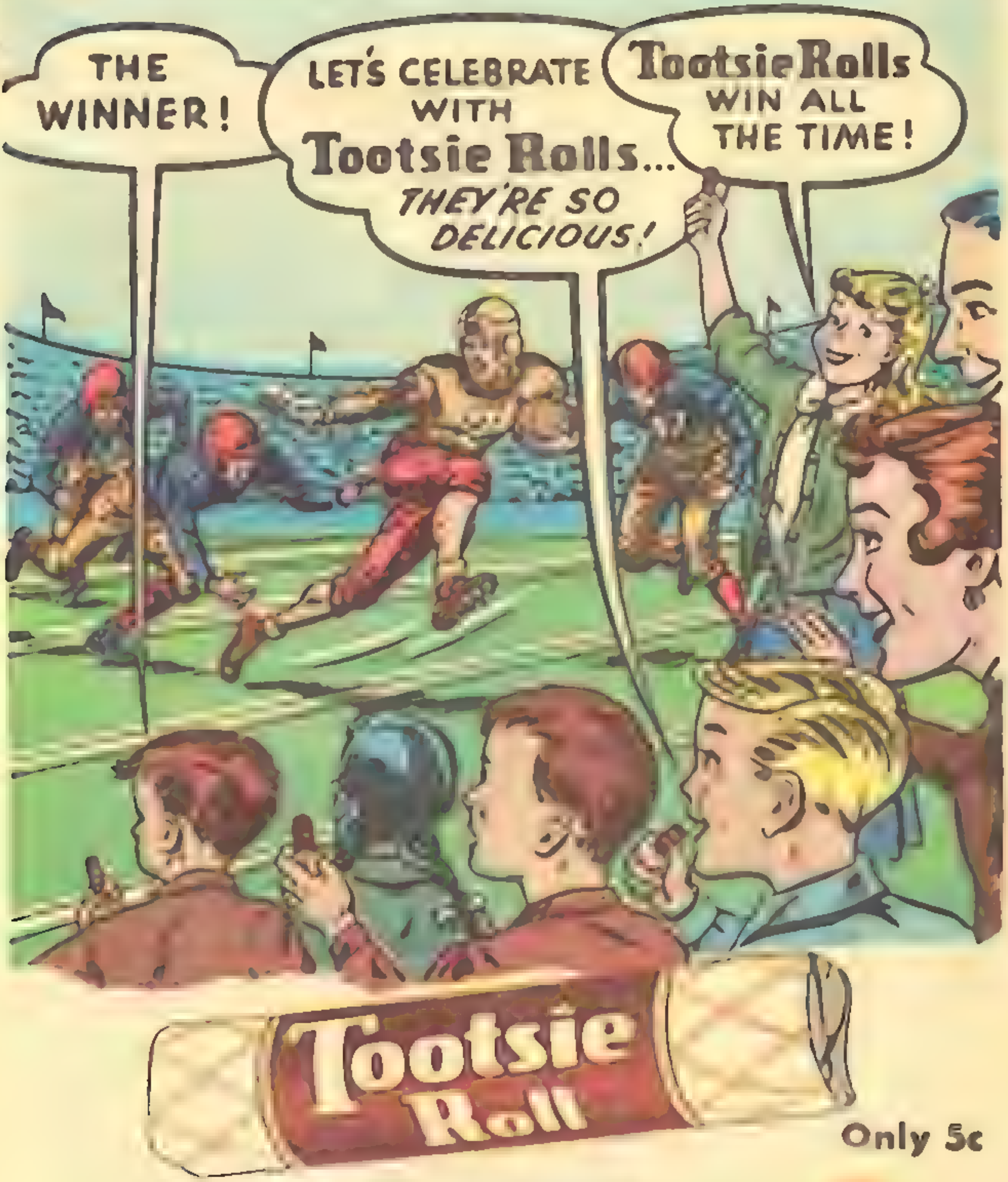
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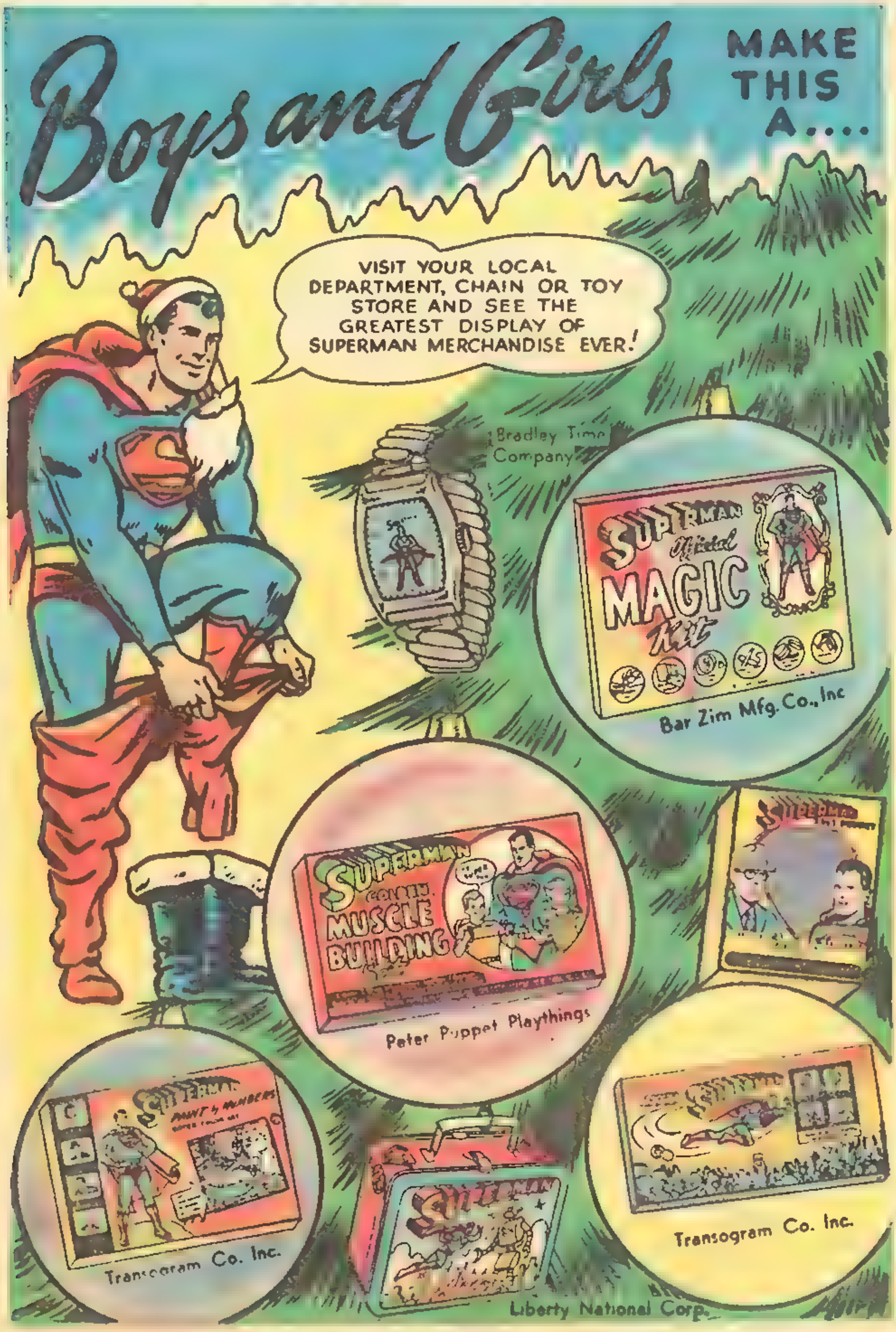
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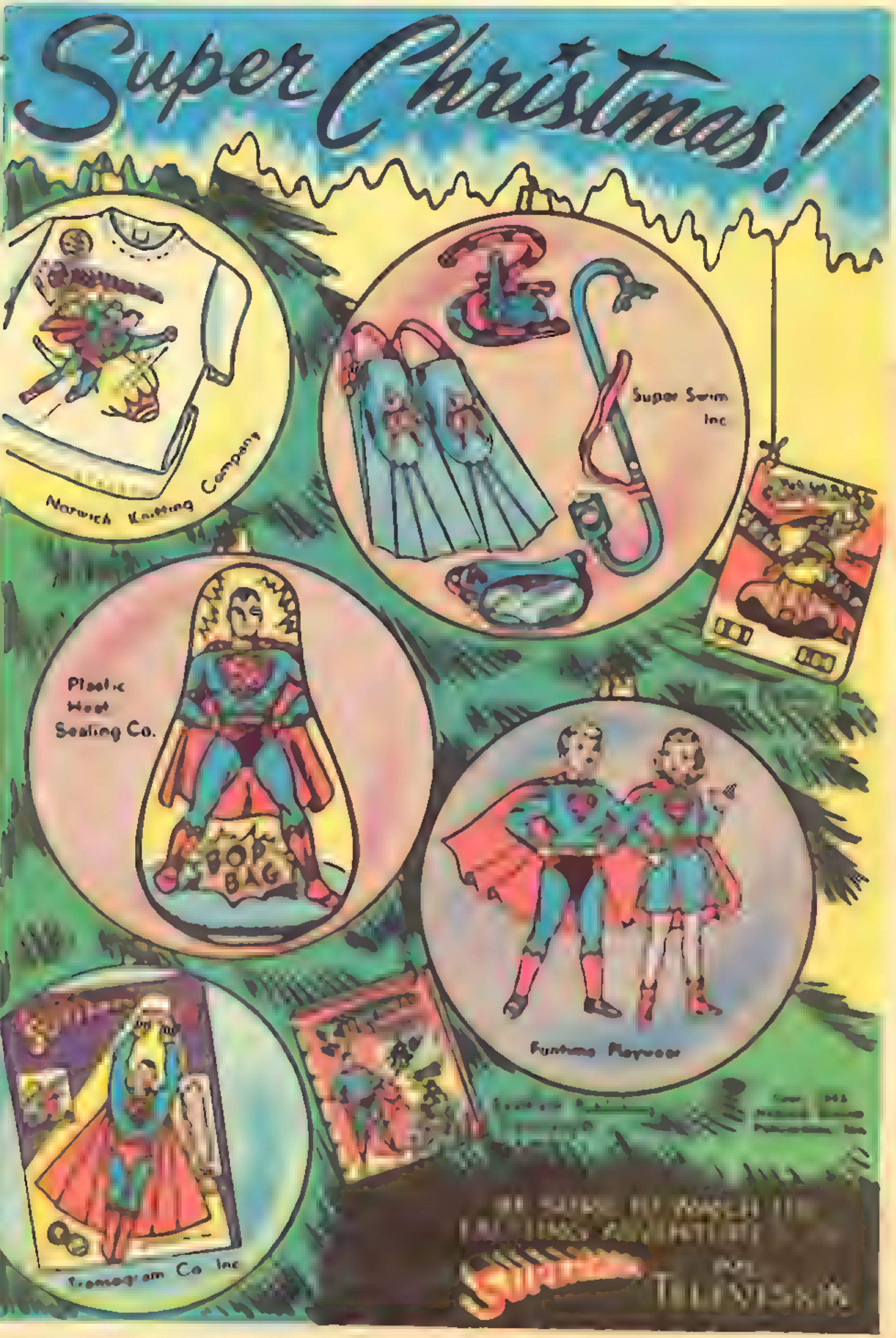
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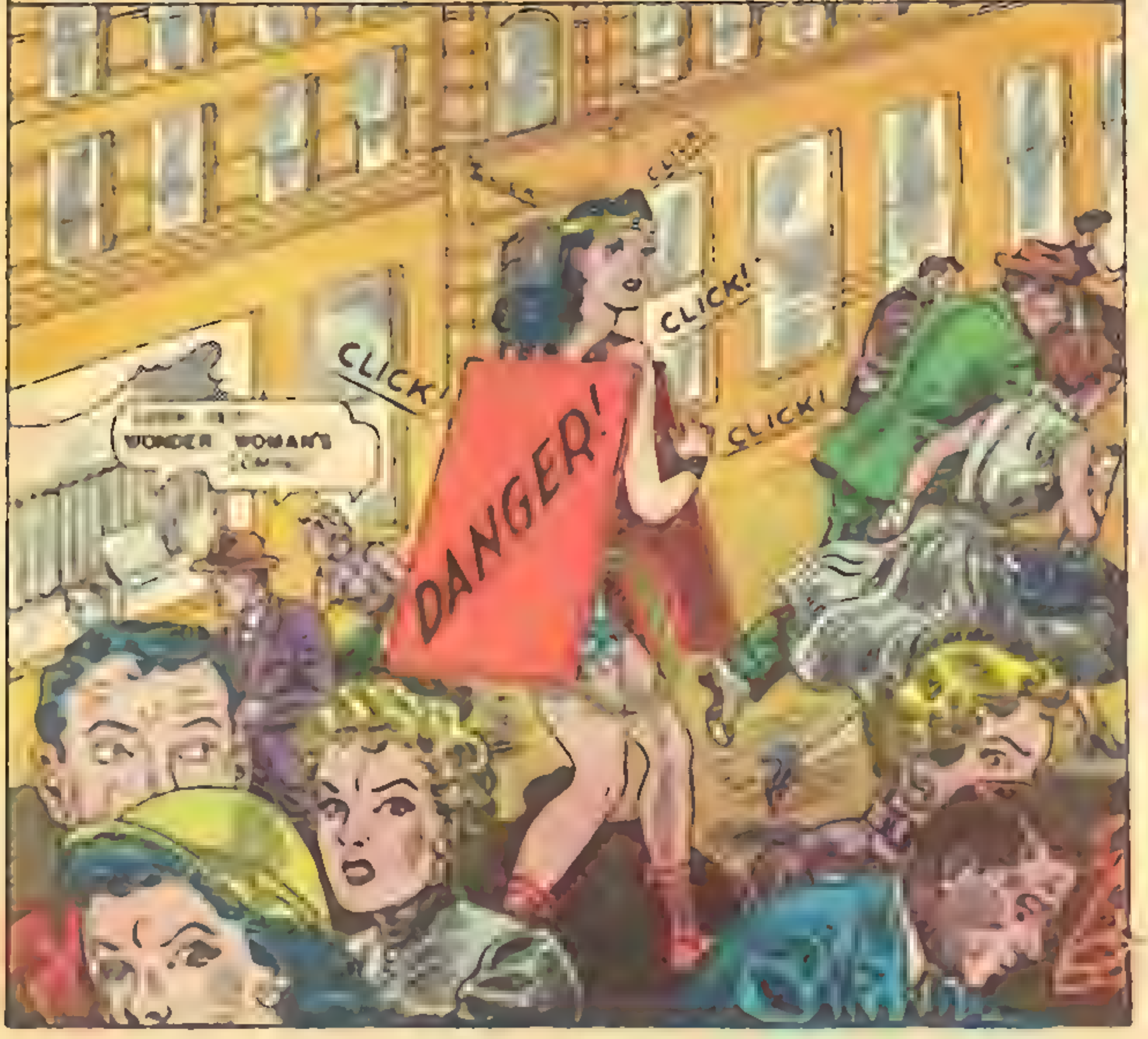
"DANGER—WONDER WOMAN!"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DANGER!
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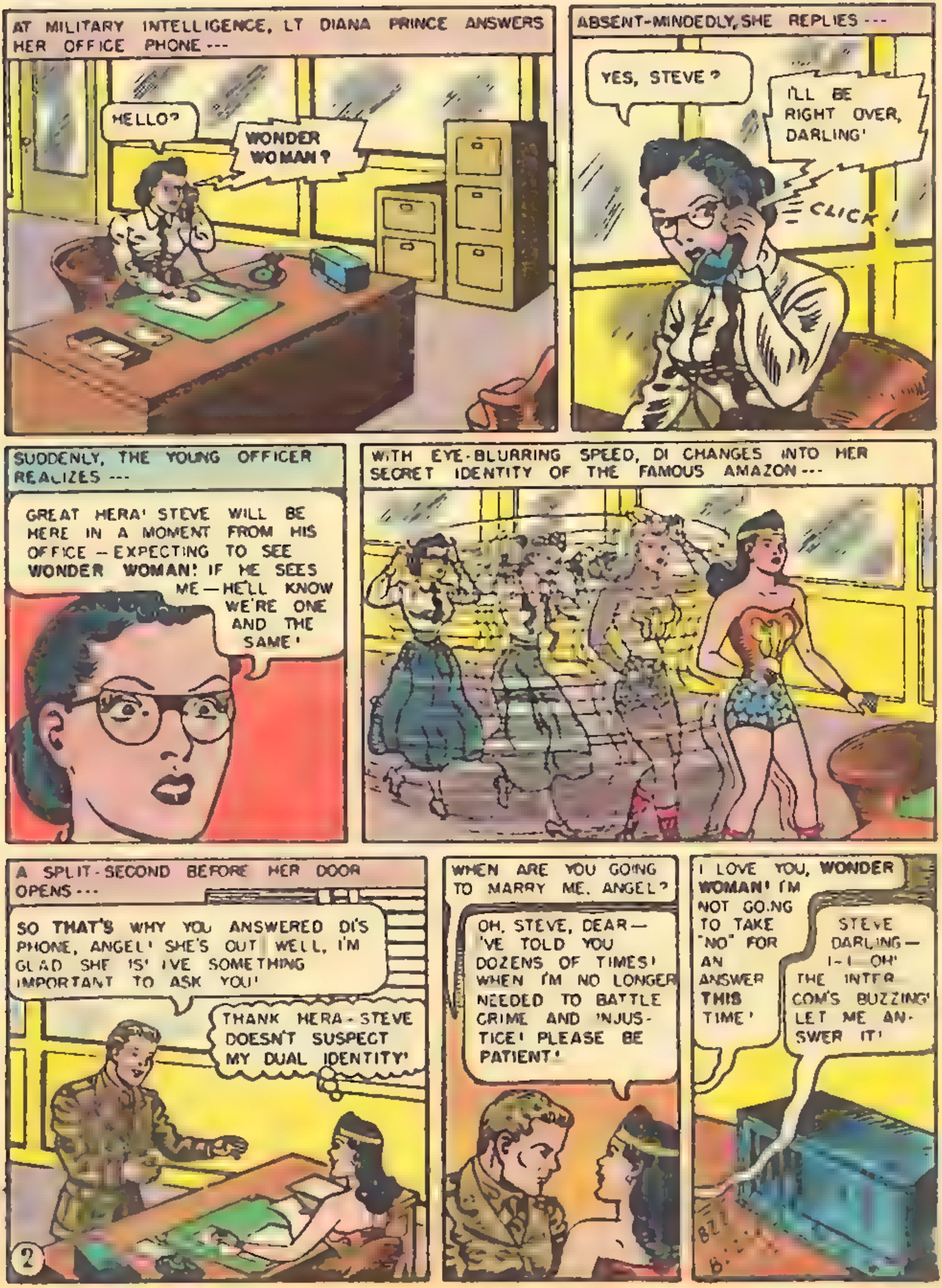
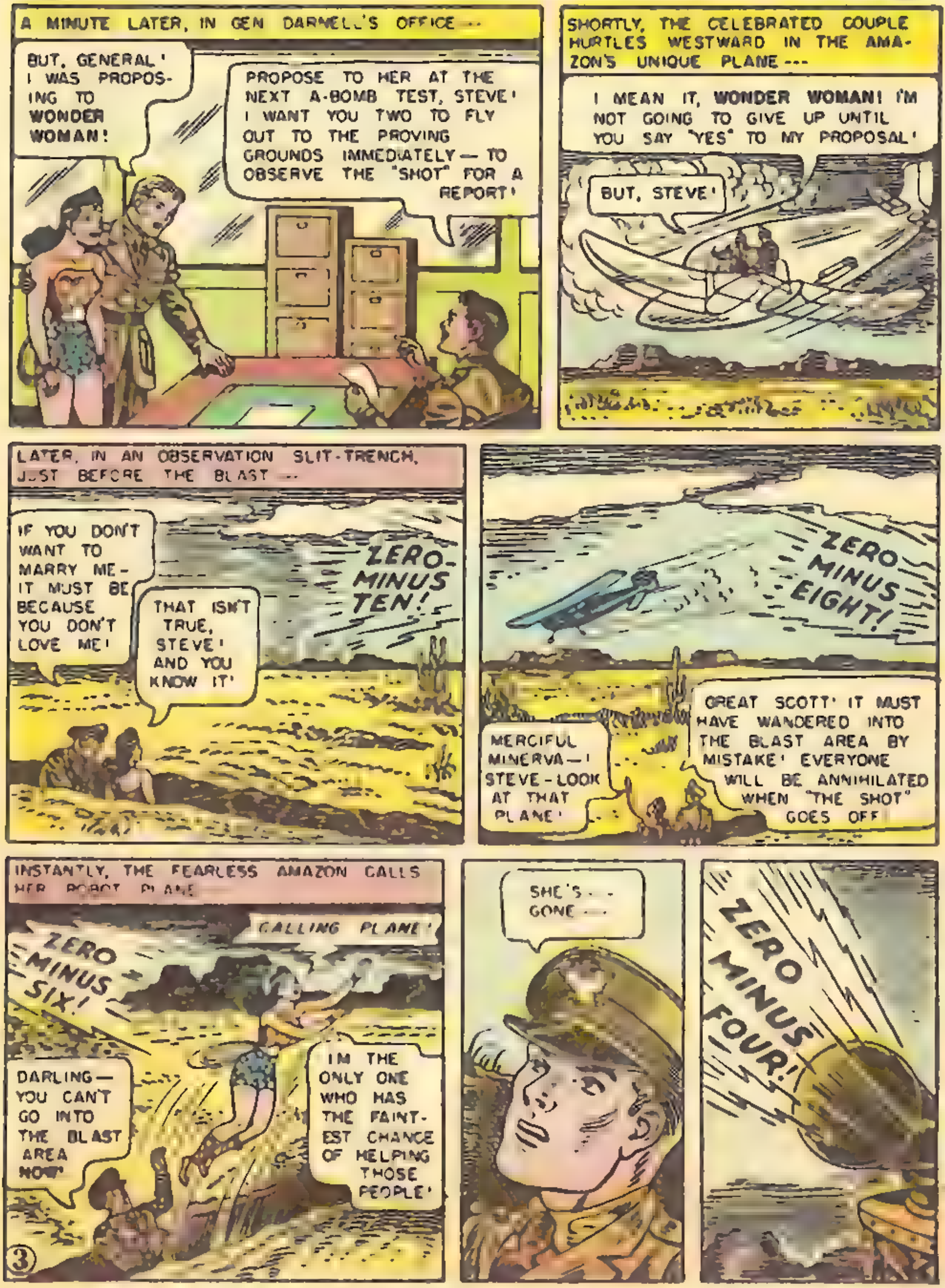
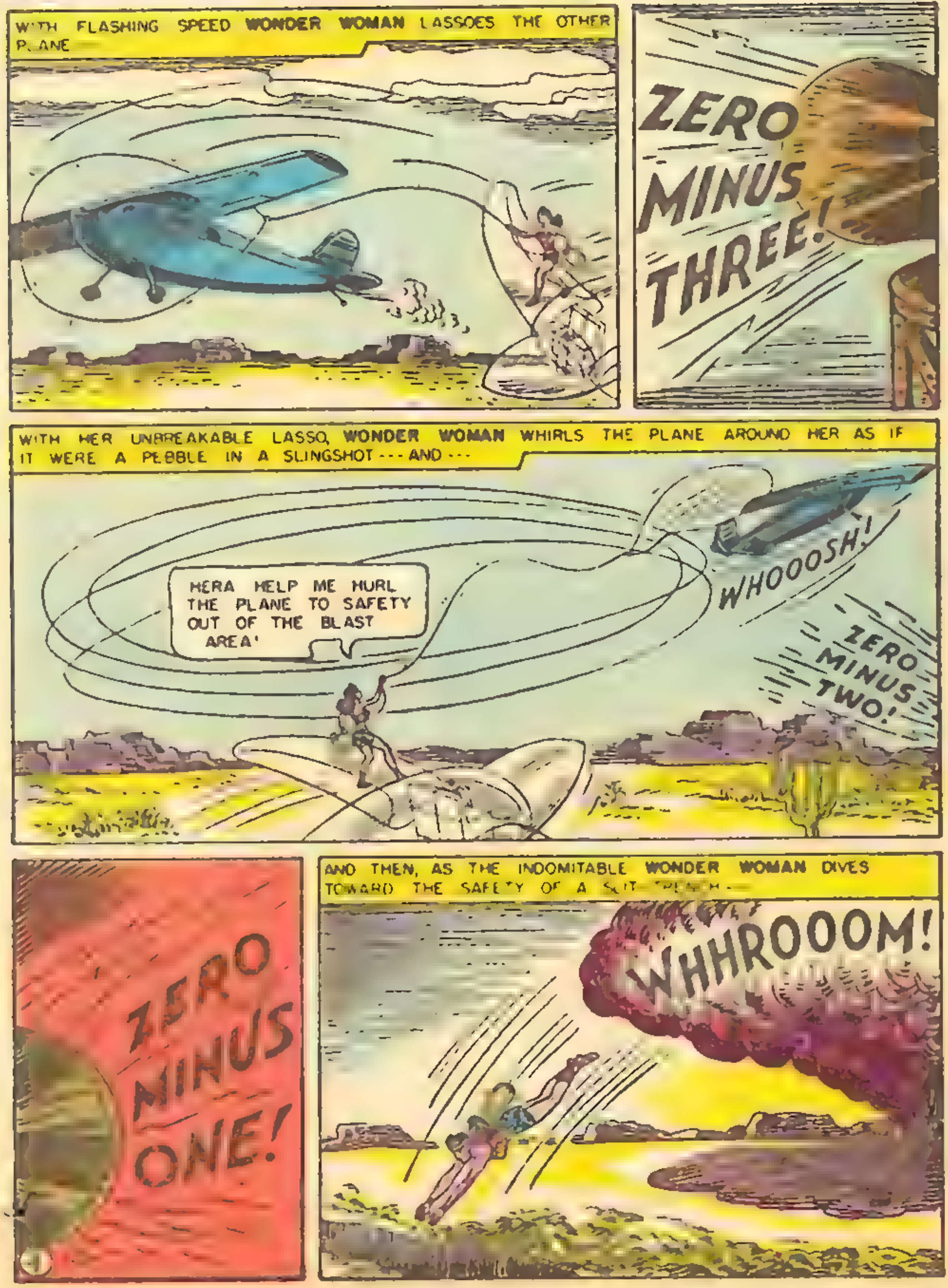
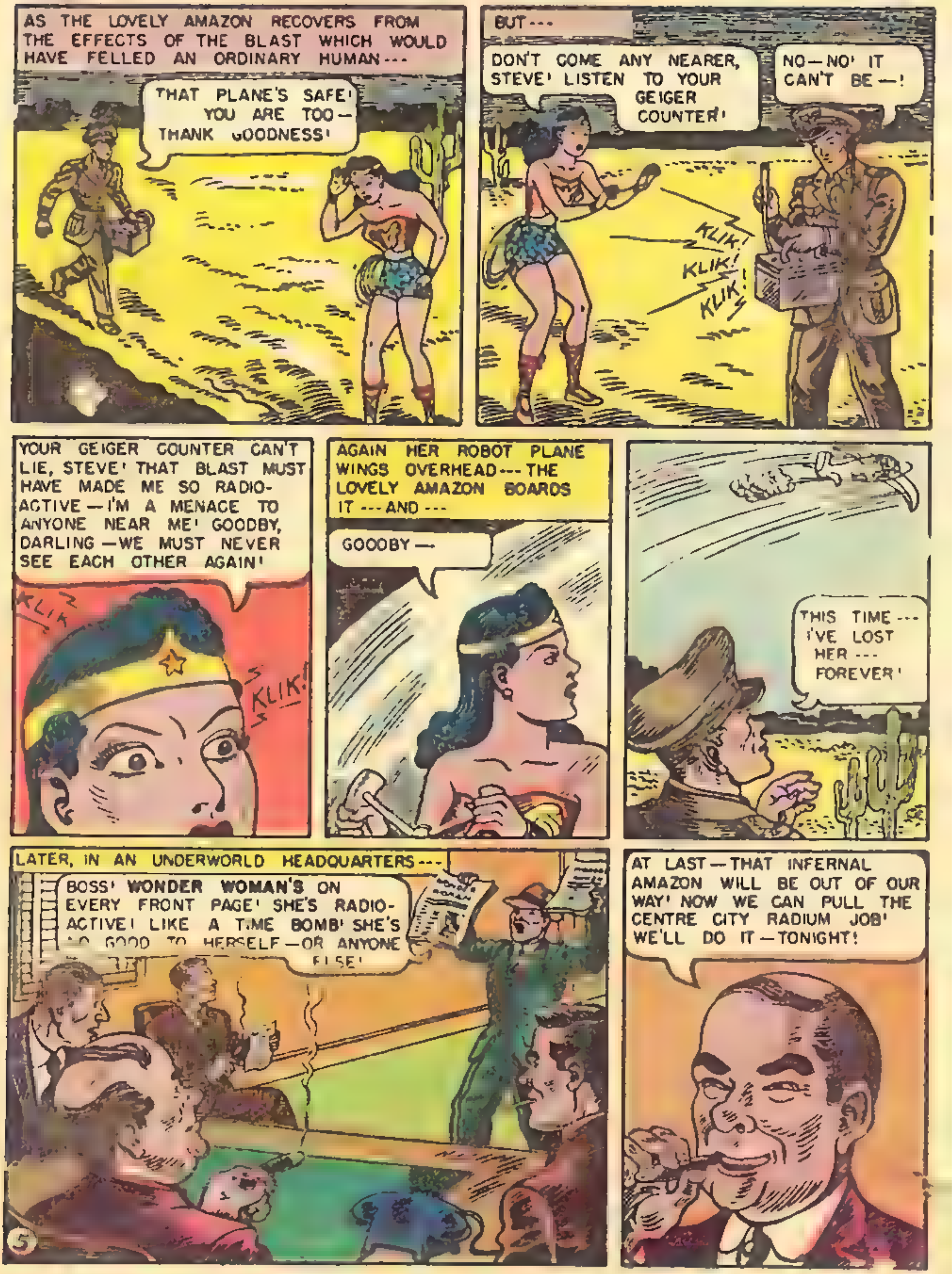

AT MILITARY INTELLIGENCE, LT DIANA PRINCE ANSWERS HER OFFICE PHONE ---
HELLO?
WONDER WOMAN?
ABSENT-MINDEDLY, SHE REPLIES ---
YES, STEVE?
I'LL BE RIGHT OVER, DARLING!
CLICK!
SUDDENLY, THE YOUNG OFFICER REALIZES ---
GREAT HERA! STEVE WILL BE HERE IN A MOMENT FROM HIS OFFICE -- EXPECTING TO SEE WONDER WOMAN! IF HE SEES ME -- HE'LL KNOW WE'RE ONE AND THE SAME!
WITH EYE-BLURRING SPEED, DI CHANGES INTO HER SECRET IDENTITY OF THE FAMOUS AMAZON ---
A SPLIT-SECOND BEFORE HER DOOR OPENS ---
SO THAT'S WHY YOU ANSWERED DI'S PHONE, ANGEL! SHE'S OUT! WELL, I'M GLAD SHE IS! I'VE SOMETHING IMPORTANT TO ASK YOU!
THANK HERA -- STEVE DOESN'T SUSPECT MY DUAL IDENTITY!
WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO MARRY ME, ANGEL?
OH, STEVE, DEAR -- I'VE TOLD YOU DOZENS OF TIMES! WHEN I'M NO LONGER NEEDED TO BATTLE CRIME AND INJUSTICE! PLEASE BE PATIENT!
I LOVE YOU, WONDER WOMAN! I'M NOT GOING TO TAKE "NO" FOR AN ANSWER THIS TIME!
STEVE DARLING -- I-I OH! THE INTER-COM'S BUZZING! LET ME ANSWER IT!
BZZ
B-Z-Z


A MINUTE LATER, IN GEN DARNELL'S OFFICE ---
BUT, GENERAL! I WAS PROPOSING TO WONDER WOMAN!
PROPOSE TO HER AT THE NEXT A-BOMB TEST, STEVE! I WANT YOU TWO TO FLY OUT TO THE PROVING GROUNDS IMMEDIATELY — TO OBSERVE THE "SHOT" FOR A REPORT!
SHORTLY, THE CELEBRATED COUPLE HURTLES WESTWARD IN THE AMAZON'S UNIQUE PLANE ---
I MEAN IT, WONDER WOMAN! I'M NOT GOING TO GIVE UP UNTIL YOU SAY "YES" TO MY PROPOSAL!
BUT, STEVE!
LATER, IN AN OBSERVATION SLIT-TRENCH, JUST BEFORE THE BLAST ---
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO MARRY ME-IT MUST BE BECAUSE YOU DON'T LOVE ME!
THAT ISN'T TRUE, STEVE! AND YOU KNOW IT!
ZERO-MINUS TEN!
ZERO-MINUS EIGHT!
MERCIFUL MINERVA—! STEVE-LOOK AT THAT PLANE!
GREAT SCOTT! IT MUST HAVE WANDERED INTO THE BLAST AREA BY MISTAKE! EVERYONE WILL BE ANNIHILATED WHEN "THE SHOT" GOES OFF!
INSTANTLY, THE FEARLESS AMAZON CALLS HER ROBOT PLANE
CALLING PLANE!
ZERO-MINUS SIX!
DARLING— YOU CAN'T GO INTO THE BLAST AREA NOW!
I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO HAS THE FAINTEST CHANCE OF HELPING THOSE PEOPLE!
SHE'S --- GONE ---
ZERO MINUS FOUR!


WITH FLASHING SPEED WONDER WOMAN LASSOES THE OTHER PLANE
ZERO MINUS THREE!
WITH HER UNBREAKABLE LASSO, WONDER WOMAN WHIRLS THE PLANE AROUND HER AS IF IT WERE A PEBBLE IN A SLINGSHOT --- AND ---
HERA HELP ME HURL THE PLANE TO SAFETY OUT OF THE BLAST AREA!
WHOOOSH!
ZERO MINUS TWO!
ZERO MINUS ONE!
AND THEN, AS THE INDOMITABLE WONDER WOMAN DIVES TOWARD THE SAFETY OF A SLIT-TRENCH—
WHHROOOM!


AS THE LOVELY AMAZON RECOVERS FROM THE EFFECTS OF THE BLAST WHICH WOULD HAVE FELLED AN ORDINARY HUMAN---
THAT PLANE'S SAFE! YOU ARE TOO—THANK GOODNESS!
BUT---
DON'T COME ANY NEARER, STEVE! LISTEN TO YOUR GEIGER COUNTER!
NO—NO! IT CAN'T BE—!
KLIK! KLIK! KLIK!
YOUR GEIGER COUNTER CAN'T LIE, STEVE! THAT BLAST MUST HAVE MADE ME SO RADIO-ACTIVE—I'M A MENACE TO ANYONE NEAR ME! GOODBY, DARLING—WE MUST NEVER SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN!
KLIK
KLIK!
AGAIN HER ROBOT PLANE WINGS OVERHEAD---THE LOVELY AMAZON BOARDS IT---AND---
GOODBY—
THIS TIME---I'VE LOST HER---FOREVER!
LATER, IN AN UNDERWORLD HEADQUARTERS---
BOSS! WONDER WOMAN'S ON EVERY FRONT PAGE! SHE'S RADIO-ACTIVE! LIKE A TIME BOMB! SHE'S NO GOOD TO HERSELF—OR ANYONE ELSE!
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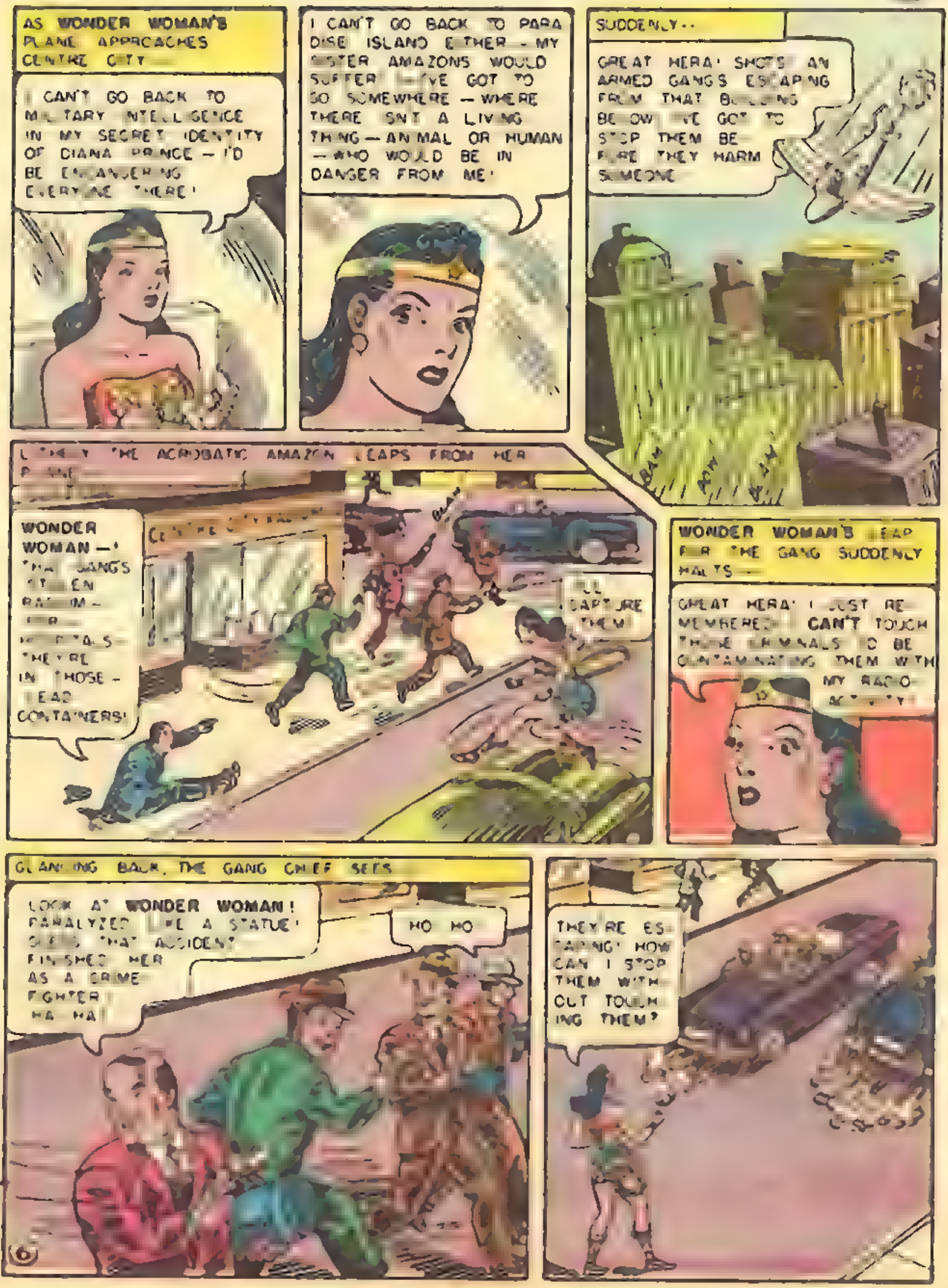
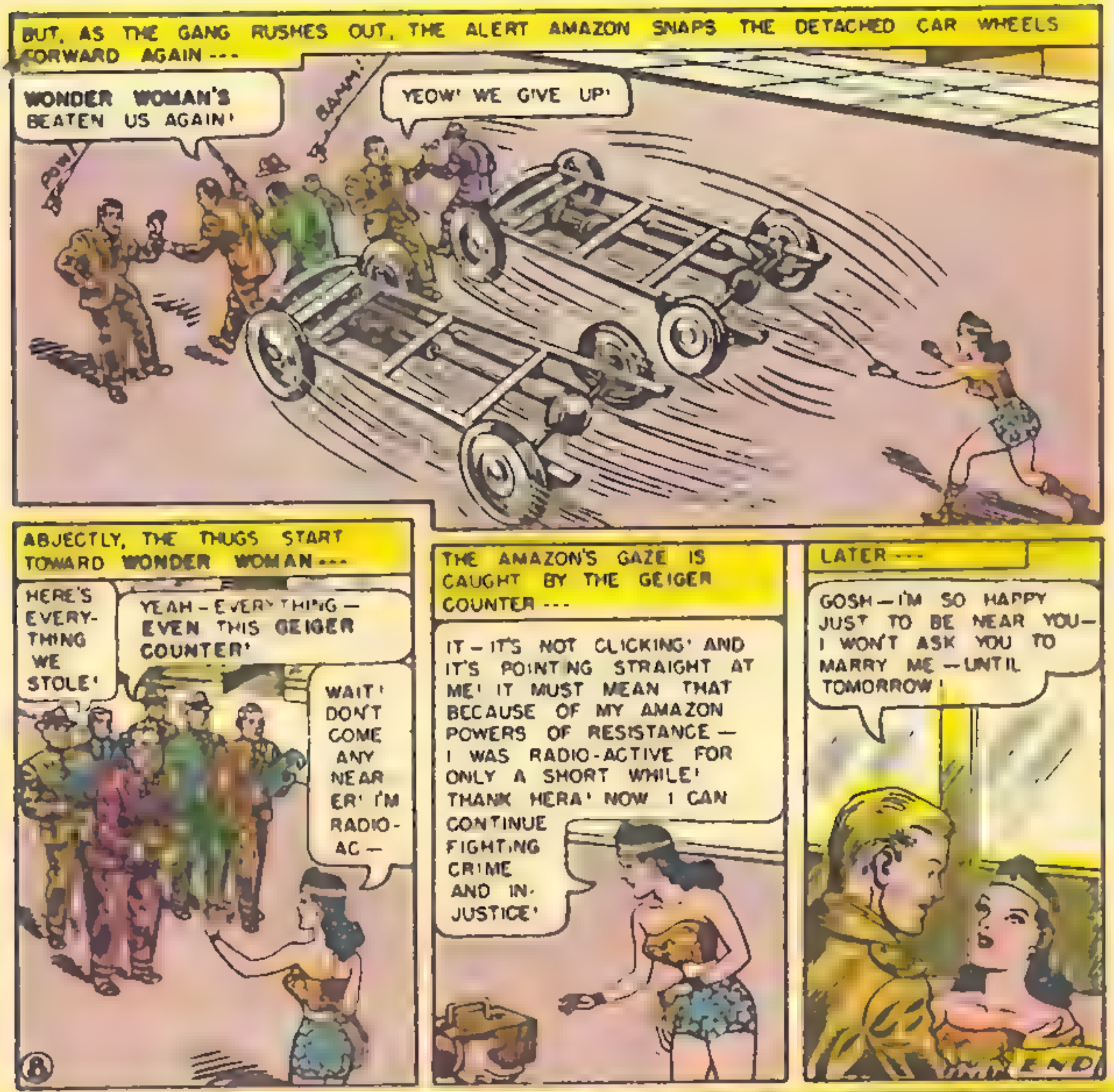
AT LAST—THAT INFERNAL AMAZON WILL BE OUT OF OUR WAY! NOW WE CAN PULL THE CENTRE CITY RADIUM JOB! WE'LL DO IT—TONIGHT!


AS WONDER WOMAN'S PLANE APPROACHES CENTRE CITY--
I CAN'T GO BACK TO MILITARY INTELLIGENCE IN MY SECRET IDENTITY OF DIANA PRINCE -- I'D BE ENDANGERING EVERYONE THERE!
I CAN'T GO BACK TO PARADISE ISLAND EITHER - MY SISTER AMAZONS WOULD SUFFER! I'VE GOT TO GO SOMEWHERE -- WHERE THERE ISN'T A LIVING THING -- ANIMAL OR HUMAN -- WHO WOULD BE IN DANGER FROM ME!
SUDDENLY--
GREAT HERA! SHOTS! AN ARMED GANG'S ESCAPING FROM THAT BUILDING BELOW! I'VE GOT TO STOP THEM BEFORE THEY HARM SOMEONE!
BAM
BAM
BAM
LIGHTLY THE ACROBATIC AMAZON LEAPS FROM HER PLANE--
CENTRE CITY
WONDER WOMAN--! THAT GANG'S STOLEN RADIUM -- FOR -- HOSPITALS -- THEY'RE IN THOSE -- LEAD CONTAINERS!
I'LL CAPTURE THEM!
WONDER WOMAN'S LEAP FOR THE GANG SUDDENLY HALTS--
GREAT HERA! I JUST REMEMBERED -- I CAN'T TOUCH THOSE CRIMINALS OR BE CONTAMINATING THEM WITH MY RADIO-ACTIVITY!
GLANCING BACK, THE GANG CHIEF SEES--
LOOK AT WONDER WOMAN! PARALYZED LIKE A STATUE! GUESS THAT ACCIDENT FINISHED HER AS A CRIME-FIGHTER! HA HA!
HO HO
THEY'RE ESCAPING! HOW CAN I STOP THEM WITHOUT TOUCHING THEM?

TO CAPTURE
IT'S WONDER WOMAN
WONDER WOMAN


BUT, AS THE GANG RUSHES OUT, THE ALERT AMAZON SNAPS THE DETACHED CAR WHEELS FORWARD AGAIN ---
WONDER WOMAN'S BEATEN US AGAIN!
YEOW! WE GIVE UP!
POW!
BAMM!
ABJECTLY, THE THUGS START TOWARD WONDER WOMAN ---
HERE'S EVERYTHING WE STOLE!
YEAH - EVERYTHING - EVEN THIS GEIGER COUNTER!
WAIT! DON'T COME ANY NEARER! I'M RADIO-AC —
THE AMAZON'S GAZE IS CAUGHT BY THE GEIGER COUNTER ---
IT - IT'S NOT CLICKING! AND IT'S POINTING STRAIGHT AT ME! IT MUST MEAN THAT BECAUSE OF MY AMAZON POWERS OF RESISTANCE — I WAS RADIO-ACTIVE FOR ONLY A SHORT WHILE! THANK HERA! NOW I CAN CONTINUE FIGHTING CRIME AND INJUSTICE!
LATER ---
GOSH — I'M SO HAPPY JUST TO BE NEAR YOU — I WON'T ASK YOU TO MARRY ME — UNTIL TOMORROW!
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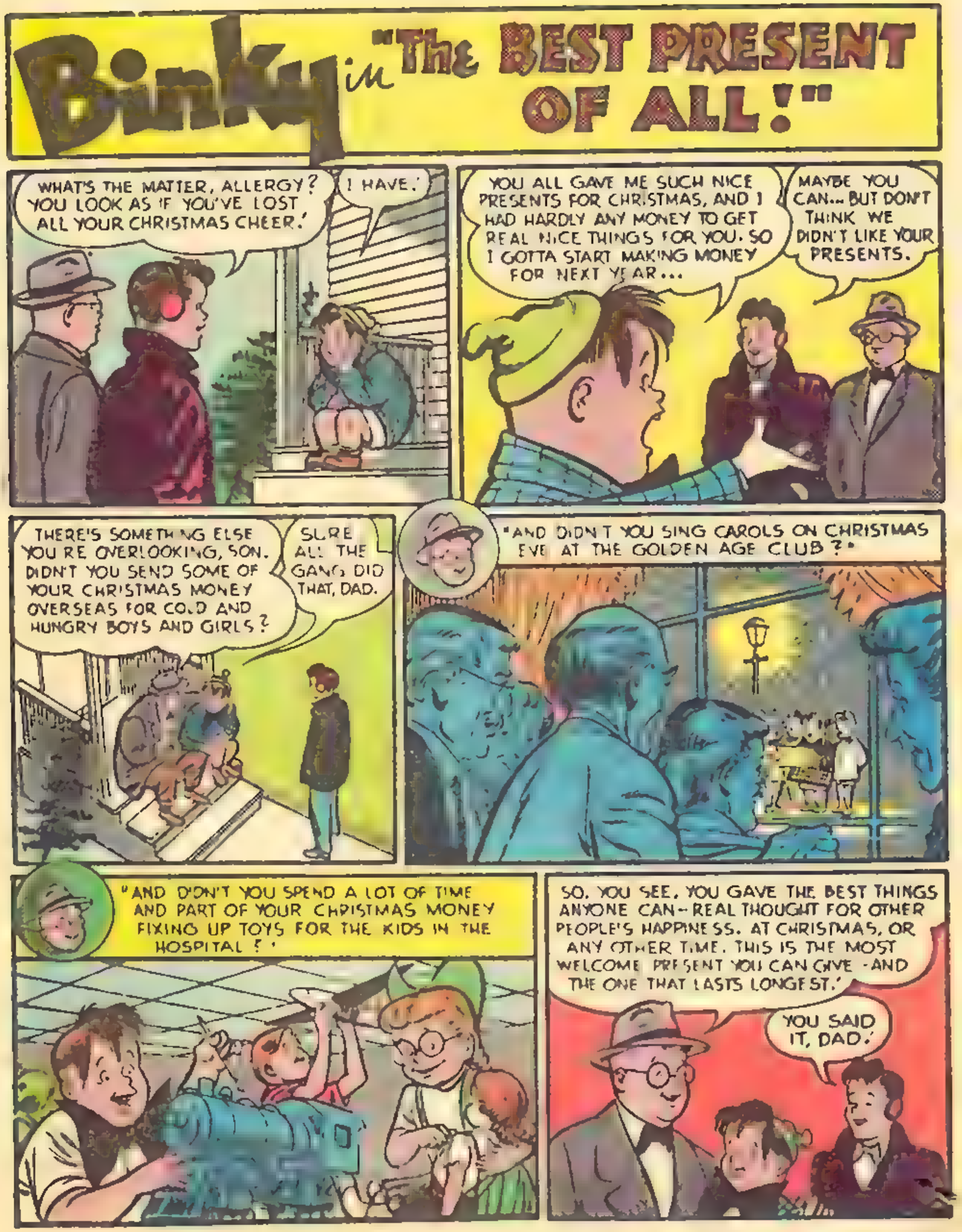
Binky in "The BEST PRESENT OF ALL!"
WHAT'S THE MATTER, ALLERGY? YOU LOOK AS IF YOU'VE LOST ALL YOUR CHRISTMAS CHEER!
I HAVE!
YOU ALL GAVE ME SUCH NICE PRESENTS FOR CHRISTMAS, AND I HAD HARDLY ANY MONEY TO GET REAL NICE THINGS FOR YOU. SO I GOTTA START MAKING MONEY FOR NEXT YEAR...
MAYBE YOU CAN... BUT DON'T THINK WE DIDN'T LIKE YOUR PRESENTS.
THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE YOU'RE OVERLOOKING, SON. DIDN'T YOU SEND SOME OF YOUR CHRISTMAS MONEY OVERSEAS FOR COLD AND HUNGRY BOYS AND GIRLS?
SURE ALL THE GANG DID THAT, DAD.
"AND DIDN'T YOU SING CAROLS ON CHRISTMAS EVE AT THE GOLDEN AGE CLUB?"
"AND DIDN'T YOU SPEND A LOT OF TIME AND PART OF YOUR CHRISTMAS MONEY FIXING UP TOYS FOR THE KIDS IN THE HOSPITAL?"
SO, YOU SEE, YOU GAVE THE BEST THINGS ANYONE CAN -- REAL THOUGHT FOR OTHER PEOPLE'S HAPPINESS. AT CHRISTMAS, OR ANY OTHER TIME. THIS IS THE MOST WELCOME PRESENT YOU CAN GIVE -AND THE ONE THAT LASTS LONGEST!
YOU SAID IT, DAD!

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The First Co-Eds

IT is hard to believe that only forty-three years ago, when President Eliot of Harvard University was asked for his opinion regarding sending girls to college, the famous educator shook his head and remarked: "I'm afraid that women are physically too fragile to stand the pace of higher learning."

Despite President Eliot's pessimism, there are today over 700,000 women attending American colleges and universities.

Just the same, it was a long, hard fight, waged by women and men alike, to put the "co" in co-education.

In the early 1800's education for girls was a private matter. It had either two aims: to produce useful homemakers, or to turn young ladies into carefully-groomed "society ladies". In those days, girls, if they could afford it, attended finishing schools, or were taught by a private tutor.

But even those girls lucky enough to obtain some education were not taught the same subjects as their brothers attending college. Languages, mathematics, and history were considered suitable courses for boys, but the general feeling was that these subjects would overtax women, whose brains were "too light and reasoning powers too defective".

So, instead of learning "boys' subjects," girls were taught music, painting on glass, embroidery, and "the social graces".

Perhaps the biggest opening wedge for women to enter colleges was the spreading of the idea of free education. This resulted in more and more girls being graduated from high schools. For the first time, girls were learning Latin, mathematics, and economics, and, what's more, doing well in these subjects. Slowly but surely the notion that girls' minds were too fragile to learn deep subjects was vanishing.

At the close of the 19th Century there were already more girls than boys in the nation's high schools. One observer, James Bryce, an Englishman, was shocked enough by this situation to remark that before long American wives would be better educated than their husbands.

It remained for the comparatively new state of Ohio, in 1833, to pave the way for women to enter college. This took place when Oberlin College in that year opened its doors to both men and women, thus becoming the country's first co-educational school.

Four years later, Massachusetts became

the first eastern state to provide a college for women when a young schoolteacher named Mary Lyon raised the then munificent sum of $27,000 to build an advanced female seminary in Mt. Holyoke. Miss Lyon served as the college's first principal. Her salary was $3.85 a week.

Vassar, one of our country's most illustrious women's colleges, had a curious beginning. A Poughkeepsie, New York, brewer named Matthew Vassar had made a considerable fortune, and in 1861 voiced the hope of finding some philanthropy that would perpetuate his name. He had first decided to found a library, then changed his plan to a hospital.

But before he could put his hospital plan into effect, a niece of Vassar's suggested that he found a women's college. Vassar liked the idea at once and instantly set aside the sum of $408,000 to start the college.

Vassar Female College threw open its doors in 1865, and became at once one of the leading colleges for women in the country.

Thanks to Matthew Vassar's intelligence in leaving the administration of the school to a trained body of trustees, the institution grew by leaps and bounds. Even more important, it dared to be different from other old-fashioned schools.

Two years after it was founded, the word "female" was dropped from its name, and every effort was made to obtain the finest teachers in the world.

In the very year it opened, Vassar invited Maria Mitchell, who had won world-wide fame for discovering a comet, to teach astronomy and run the observatory of the college. Miss Mitchell accepted, receiving $800 a year in salary.

Smith College, another famous women's institution of higher learning, had an equally curious beginning. In 1875, an heiress named Sophia Smith was on the point of awarding Harvard University a gift of about $400,000. Oddly enough, it was a man interested in fostering education for women, who got to Miss Smith before the award was made.

"Why not use that money to start a college for women—to be named after yourself?" he suggested.

That same year another famous college for women was founded—Wellesley.

By this time, the idea of women in college was accepted by the average person. And univrsities that had stubbornly resisted the idea of women in college were slowly giving way. Harvard opened an annex to accommodate women. As women flocked to attend, Harvard stopped calling its women's department an annex, and gave it a name, Radcliffe. Columbia University followed Harvard's action with Barnard.

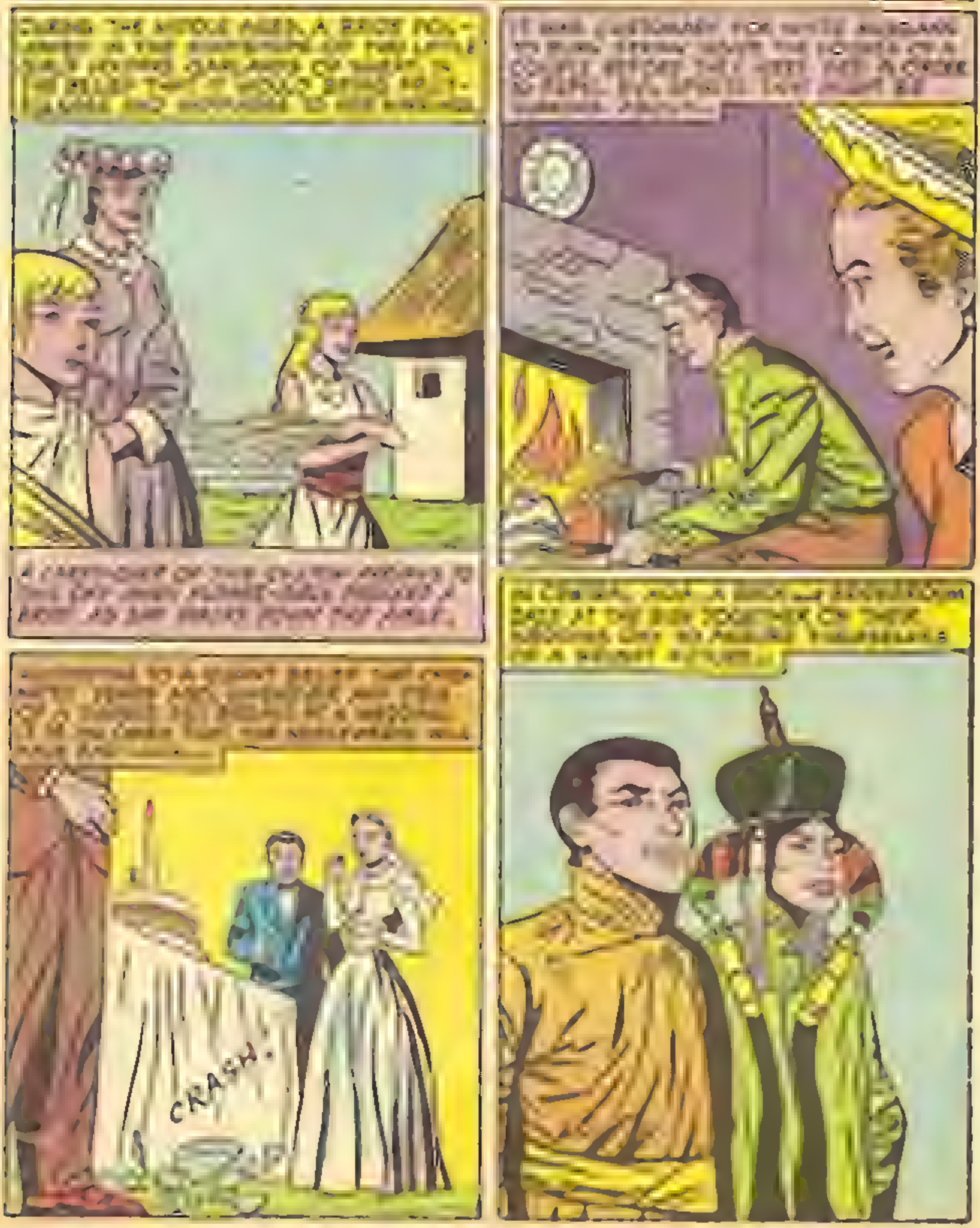
Meanwhile, new colleges that were opening up in the west and south admitted women at the outset.

An interesting problem raised by the admittance of women to colleges was never solved.

As we all know, the name of the degree awarded to students completing the arts course at college is Bachelor of Arts. The science course leads to Bachelor of Science. It seemed ridiculous, at first, to give a "Bachelor's" degree to a woman. So, some colleges began awarding such degrees as "Laureate of Science," and "Maid of Philosophy."

In time, this quaint nomenclature was dropped, and women think nothing of getting Bachelor degrees today.

MARRIAGE a la MODE !

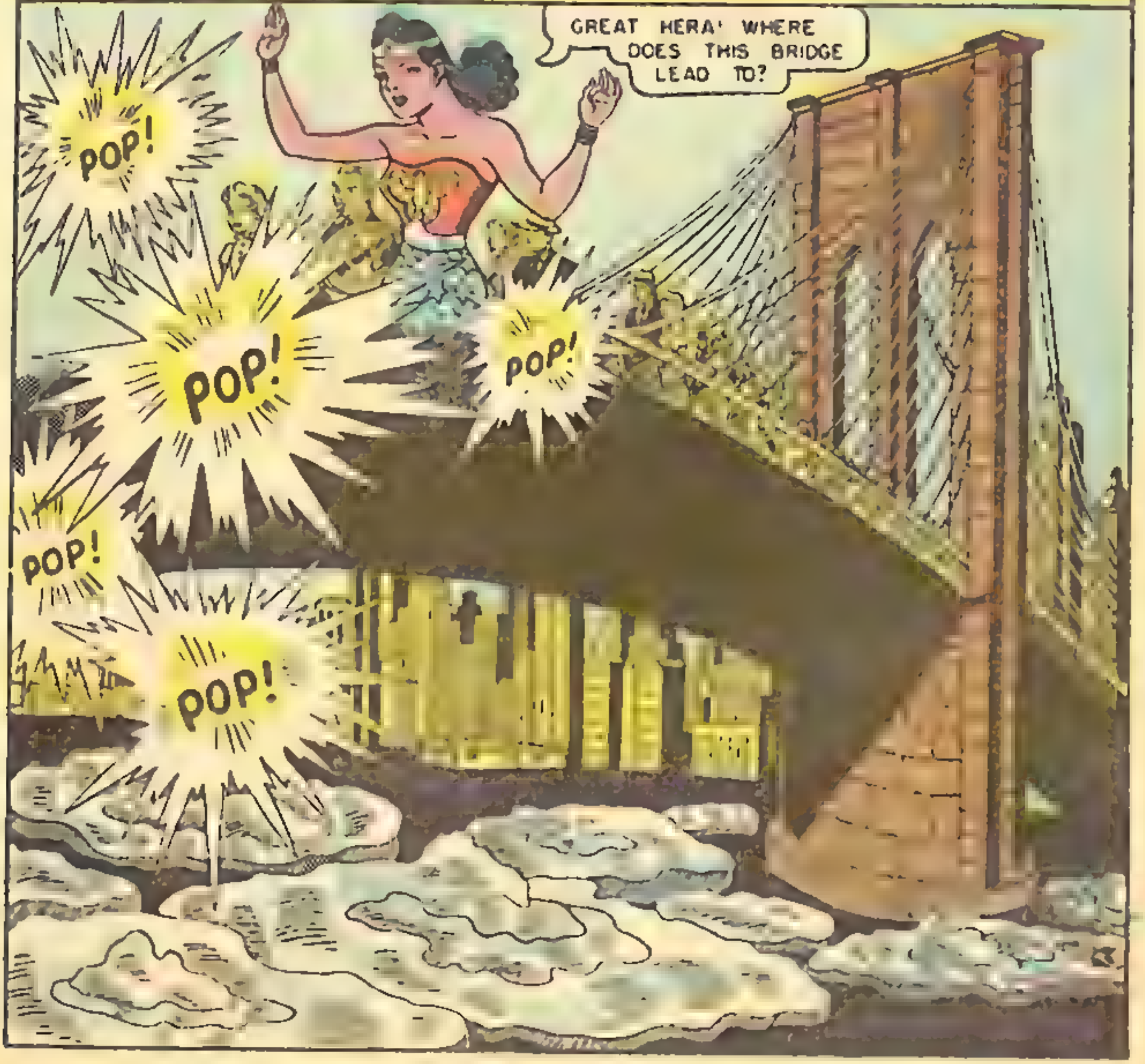


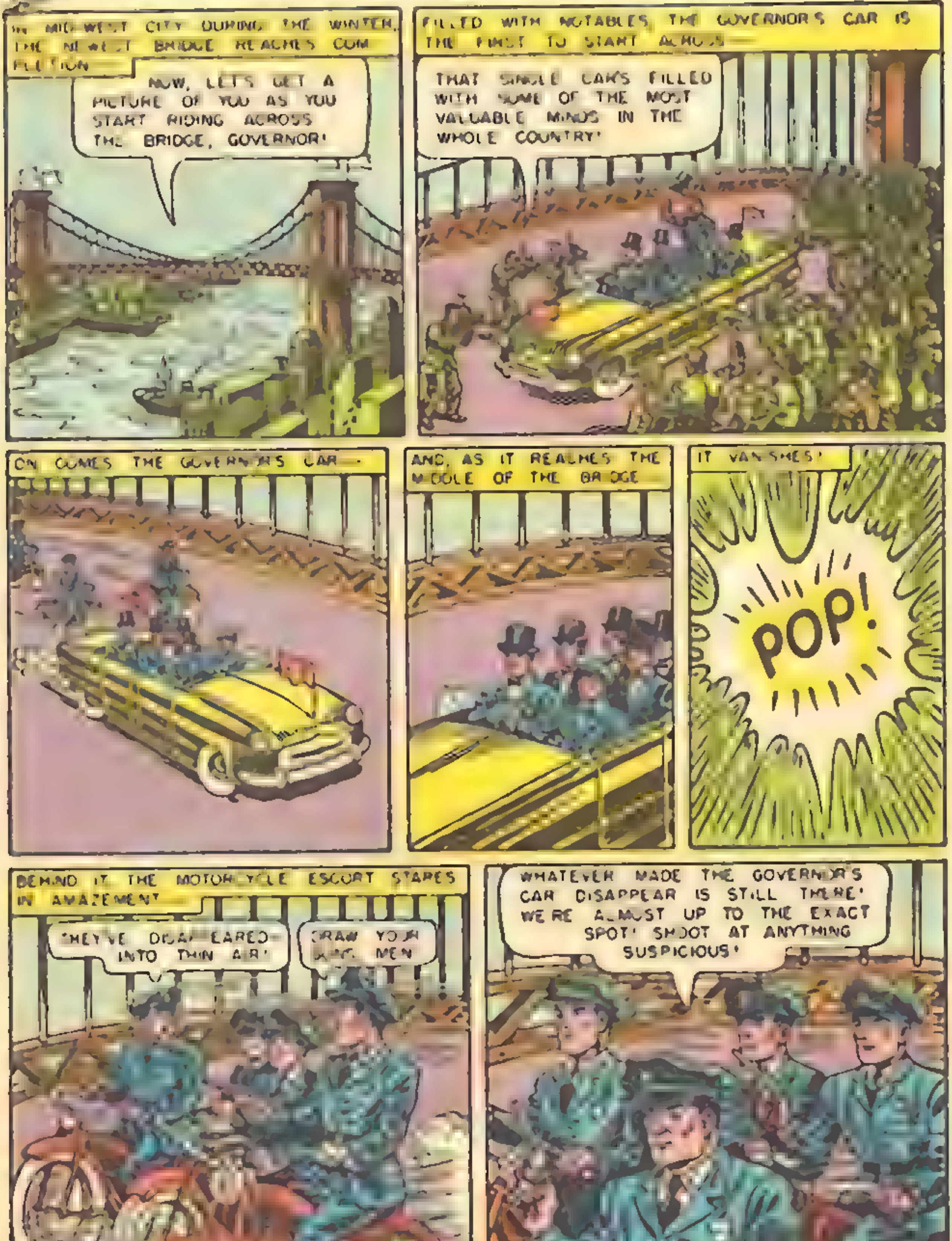
Wonder Woman

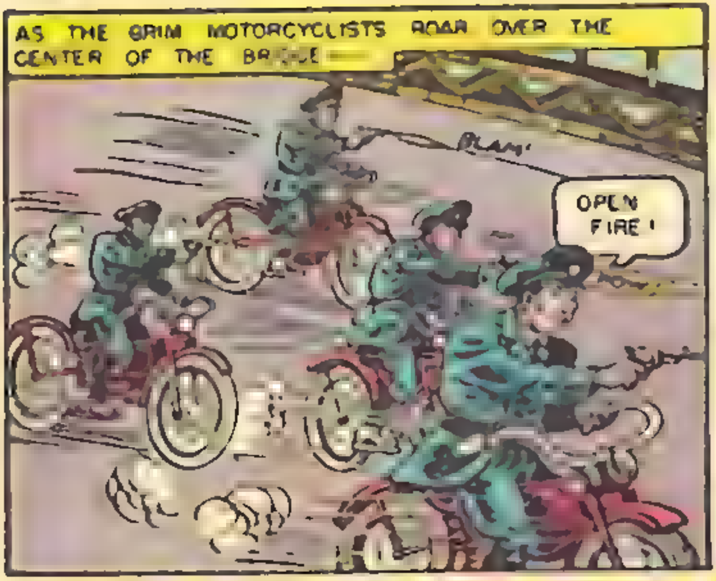
By CHARLES MOULTON

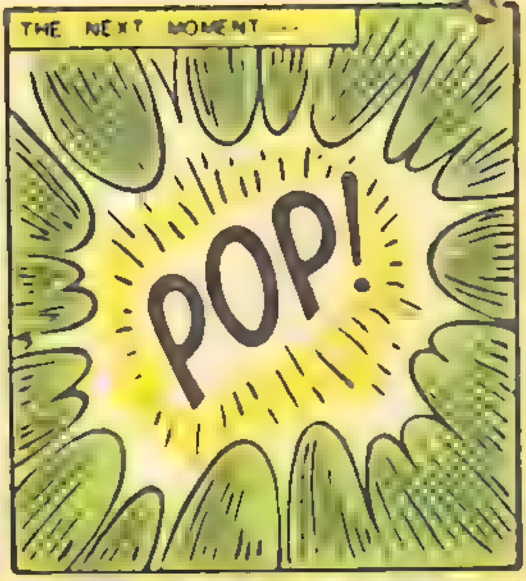
CAN PEOPLE INEXPLICABLY DISAPPEAR WHILE CROSSING A BRIDGE IN PLAIN VIEW OF THOUSANDS? THE ASTONISHING ANSWER IS YES! AND **WONDER WOMAN** – BEAUTIFUL AS APHRODITE, WISE AS ATHENA, SWIFTER THAN MERCURY, AND STRONGER THAN HERCULES– MUST TROD THE SAME PERILOUS PATH IN A MIGHTY EFFORT TO SOLVE THE RIDDLE BEHIND THE ------

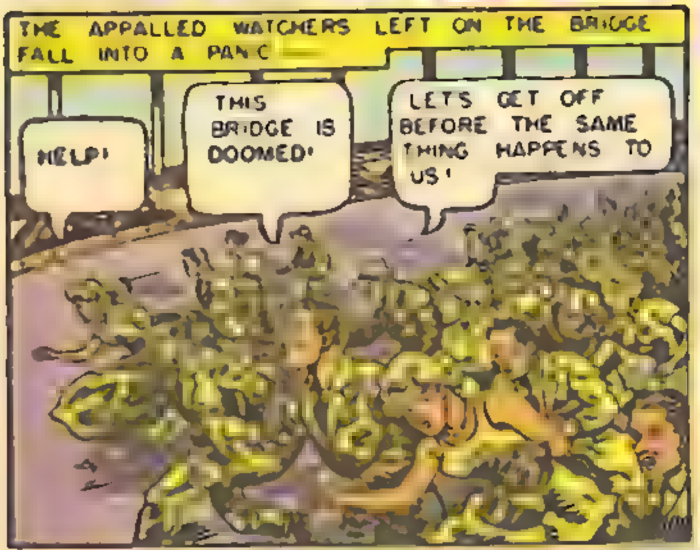
"BRIDGE TO NOWHERE!"

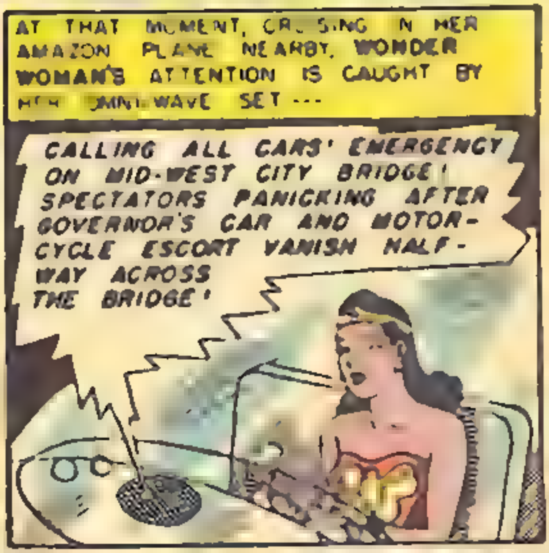

GREAT HERA! WHERE DOES THIS BRIDGE LEAD TO?
POP!
POP!
POP!
POP!
POP!

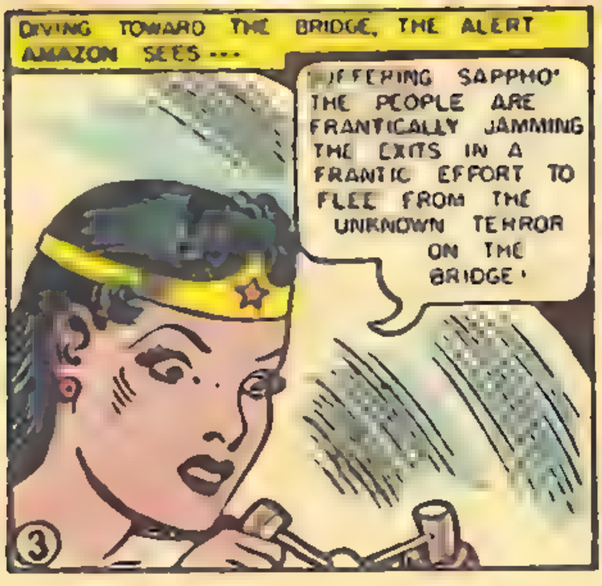

IN MID-WEST CITY DURING THE WINTER, THE NEWEST BRIDGE REACHES COMPLETION—
NOW, LET'S GET A PICTURE OF YOU AS YOU START RIDING ACROSS THE BRIDGE, GOVERNOR!
FILLED WITH NOTABLES, THE GOVERNOR'S CAR IS THE FIRST TO START ACROSS—
THAT SINGLE CAR'S FILLED WITH SOME OF THE MOST VALUABLE MINDS IN THE WHOLE COUNTRY!
ON COMES THE GOVERNOR'S CAR—
AND, AS IT REACHES THE MIDDLE OF THE BRIDGE—
IT VANISHES!
POP!
BEHIND IT, THE MOTORCYCLE ESCORT STARES IN AMAZEMENT—
THEY'VE DISAPPEARED—INTO THIN AIR!
DRAW YOUR GUNS, MEN
WHATEVER MADE THE GOVERNOR'S CAR DISAPPEAR IS STILL THERE! WE'RE ALMOST UP TO THE EXACT SPOT! SHOOT AT ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS!

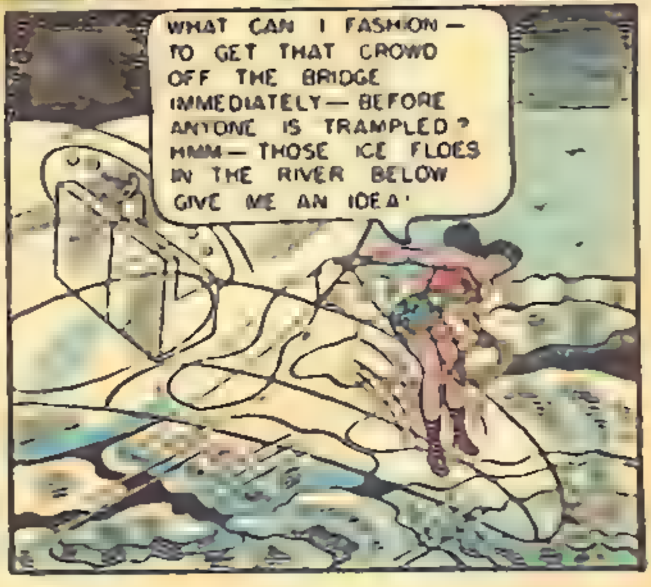

AS THE GRIM MOTORCYCLISTS ROAR OVER THE CENTER OF THE BRIDGE —
PLAM!
OPEN FIRE!

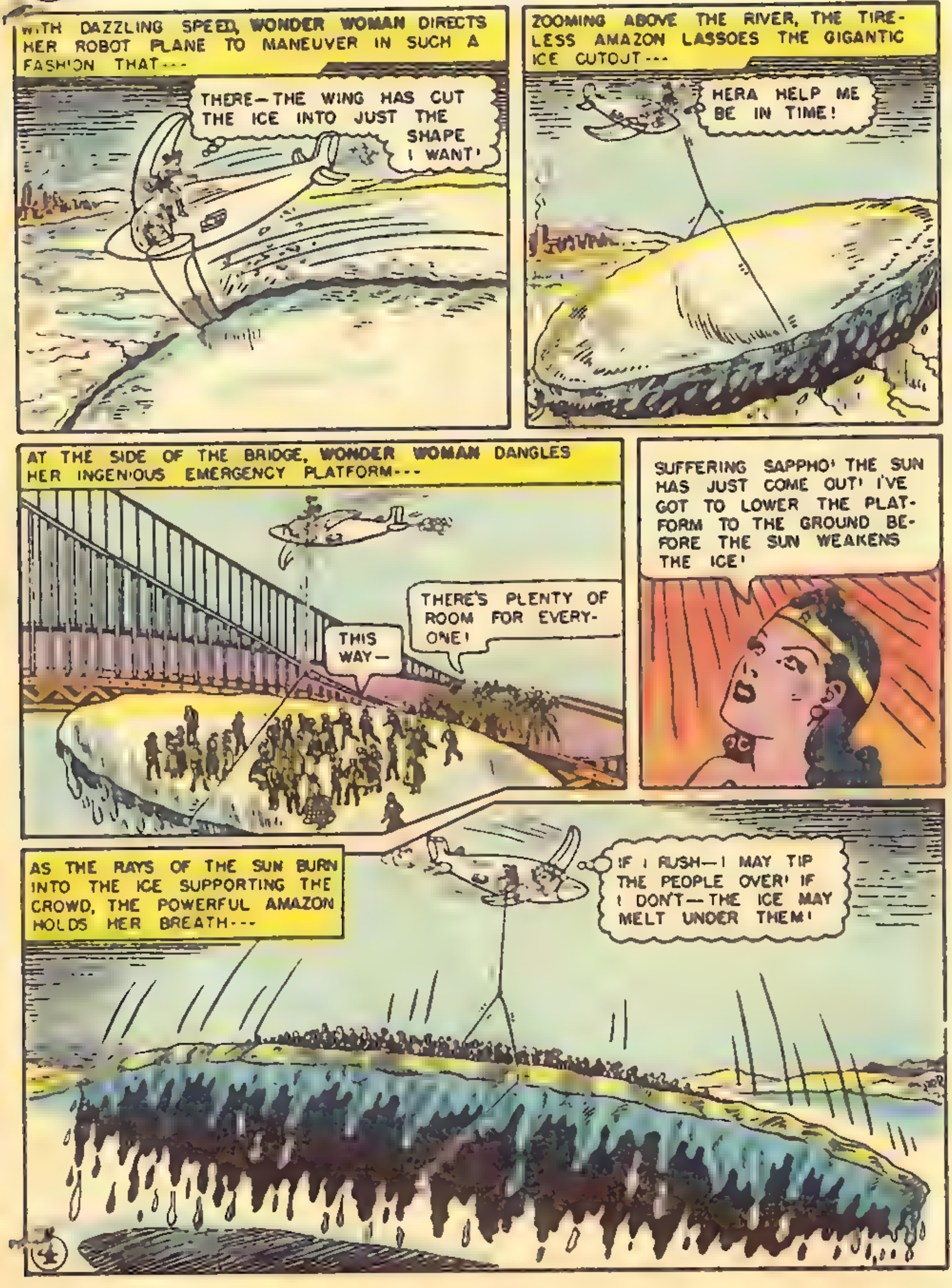

THE NEXT MOMENT ---
POP!

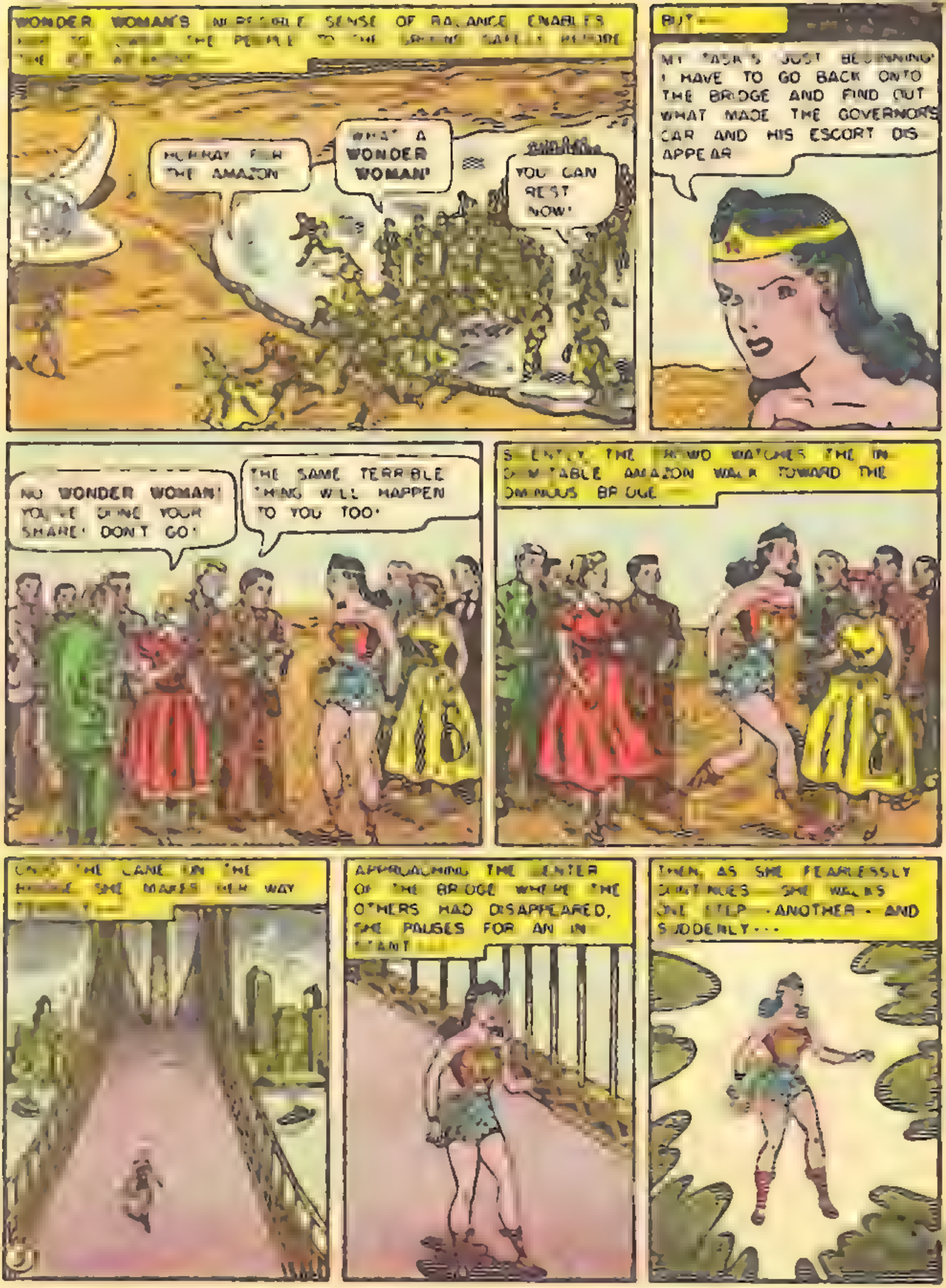

THE APPALLED WATCHERS LEFT ON THE BRIDGE FALL INTO A PANIC —
HELP!
THIS BRIDGE IS DOOMED!
LET'S GET OFF BEFORE THE SAME THING HAPPENS TO US!

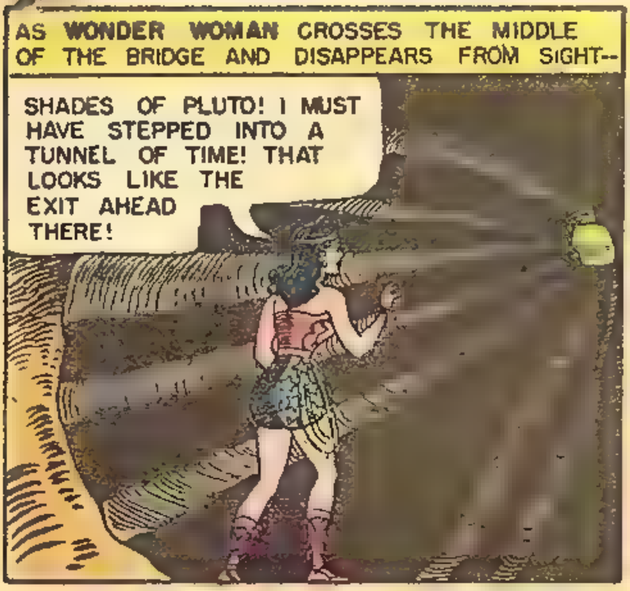

AT THAT MOMENT, CRUISING IN HER AMAZON PLANE NEARBY, WONDER WOMAN'S ATTENTION IS CAUGHT BY HER OMNI-WAVE SET ---
CALLING ALL CARS! EMERGENCY ON MID-WEST CITY BRIDGE! SPECTATORS PANICKING AFTER GOVERNOR'S CAR AND MOTORCYCLE ESCORT VANISH HALF-WAY ACROSS THE BRIDGE!

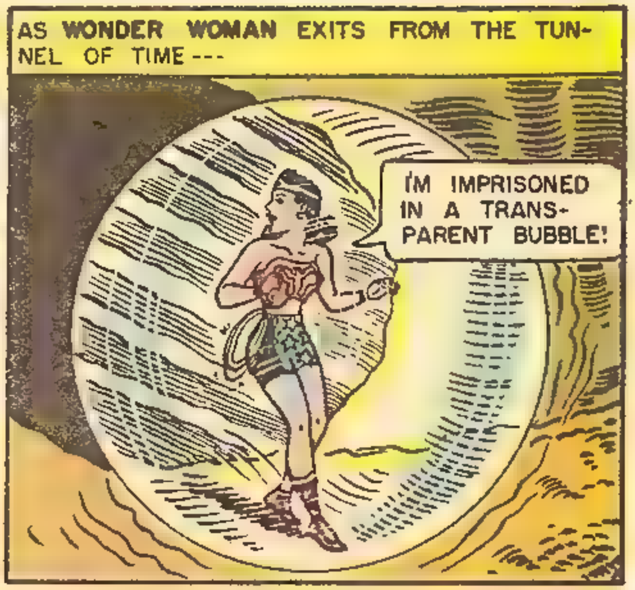

DIVING TOWARD THE BRIDGE, THE ALERT AMAZON SEES ---
SUFFERING SAPPHO! THE PEOPLE ARE FRANTICALLY JAMMING THE EXITS IN A FRANTIC EFFORT TO FLEE FROM THE UNKNOWN TERROR ON THE BRIDGE!

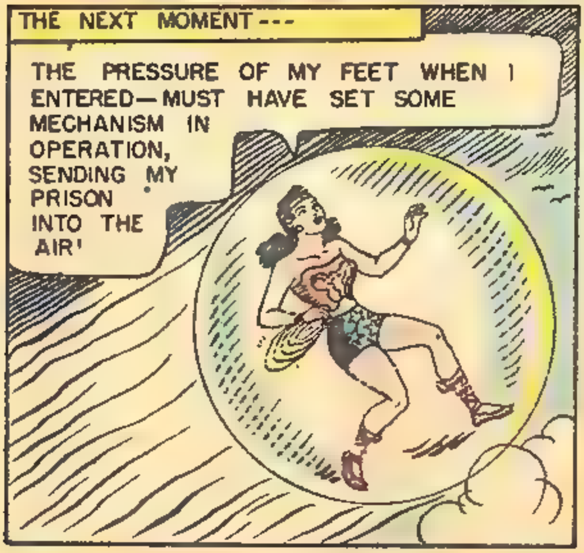

WHAT CAN I FASHION — TO GET THAT CROWD OFF THE BRIDGE IMMEDIATELY — BEFORE ANYONE IS TRAMPLED? HMM — THOSE ICE FLOES IN THE RIVER BELOW GIVE ME AN IDEA!

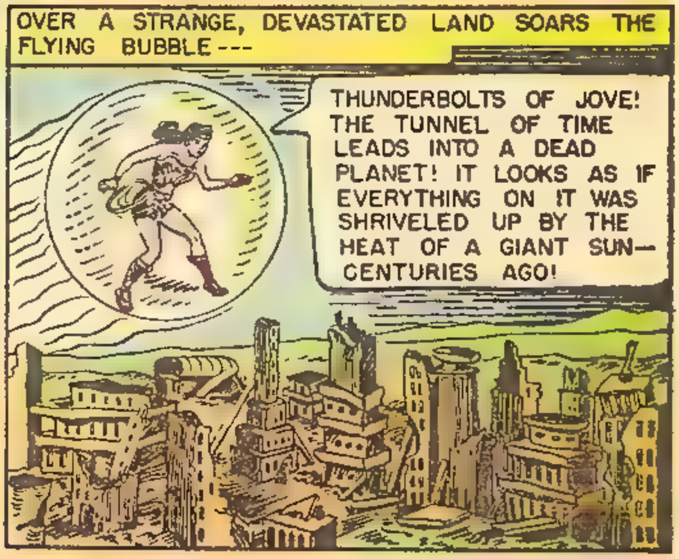

WITH DAZZLING SPEED, WONDER WOMAN DIRECTS HER ROBOT PLANE TO MANEUVER IN SUCH A FASHION THAT---
THERE—THE WING HAS CUT THE ICE INTO JUST THE SHAPE I WANT!
ZOOMING ABOVE THE RIVER, THE TIRELESS AMAZON LASSOES THE GIGANTIC ICE CUTOUT---
HERA HELP ME BE IN TIME!
AT THE SIDE OF THE BRIDGE, WONDER WOMAN DANGLES HER INGENIOUS EMERGENCY PLATFORM---
THERE'S PLENTY OF ROOM FOR EVERYONE!
THIS WAY—
SUFFERING SAPPHO! THE SUN HAS JUST COME OUT! I'VE GOT TO LOWER THE PLATFORM TO THE GROUND BEFORE THE SUN WEAKENS THE ICE!
AS THE RAYS OF THE SUN BURN INTO THE ICE SUPPORTING THE CROWD, THE POWERFUL AMAZON HOLDS HER BREATH---
IF I RUSH—I MAY TIP THE PEOPLE OVER! IF I DON'T—THE ICE MAY MELT UNDER THEM!

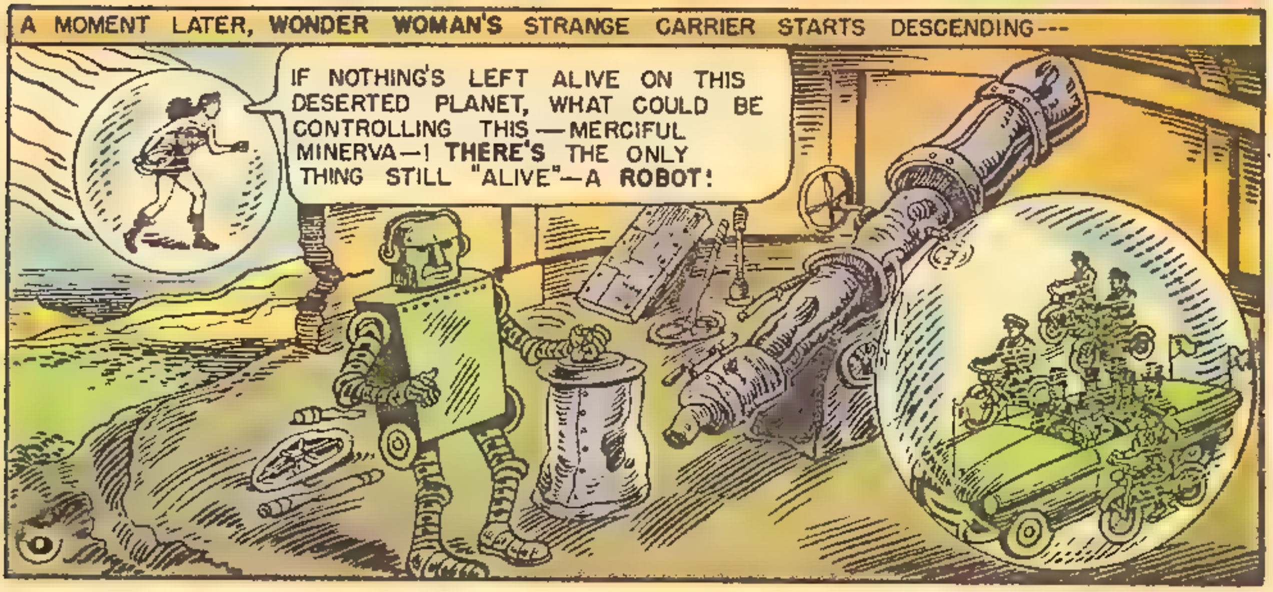

WONDER WOMAN'S INCREDIBLE SENSE OF BALANCE ENABLES HER TO LOWER THE PEOPLE TO THE GROUND SAFELY BEFORE THE [illegible]
HURRAY FOR THE AMAZON
WHAT A WONDER WOMAN!
YOU CAN REST NOW!
BUT—
MY TASK'S JUST BEGINNING! I HAVE TO GO BACK ONTO THE BRIDGE AND FIND OUT WHAT MADE THE GOVERNOR'S CAR AND HIS ESCORT DISAPPEAR
NO WONDER WOMAN! YOU'VE DONE YOUR SHARE! DON'T GO!
THE SAME TERRIBLE THING WILL HAPPEN TO YOU TOO!
SILENTLY, THE CROWD WATCHES THE INDOMITABLE AMAZON WALK TOWARD THE OMINOUS BRIDGE —
ONTO THE LANE ON THE BRIDGE SHE MAKES HER WAY STEADILY —
APPROACHING THE CENTER OF THE BRIDGE WHERE THE OTHERS HAD DISAPPEARED, SHE PAUSES FOR AN INSTANT —
THEN, AS SHE FEARLESSLY CONTINUES — SHE WALKS ONE STEP — ANOTHER — AND SUDDENLY...

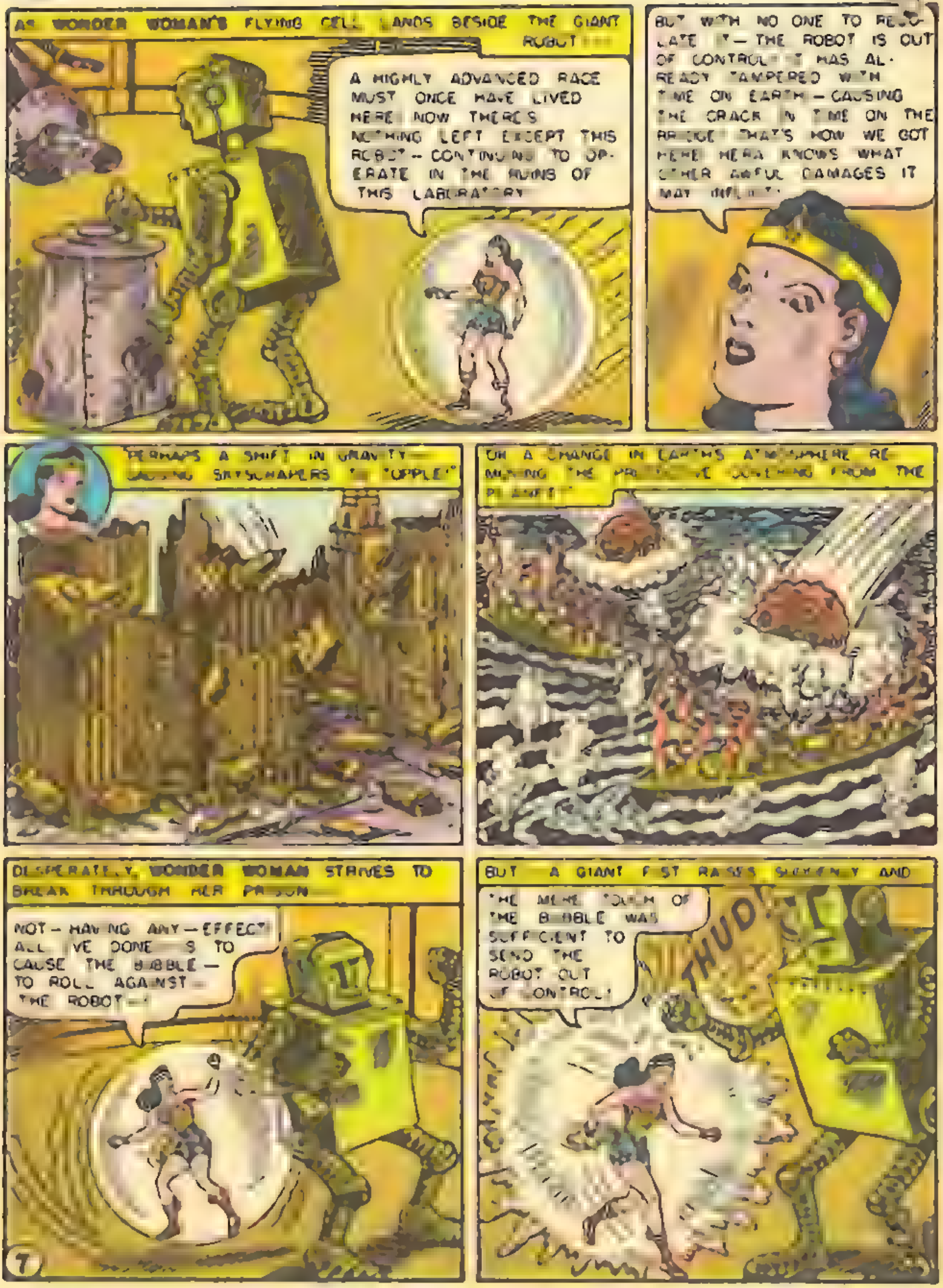

AS WONDER WOMAN CROSSES THE MIDDLE OF THE BRIDGE AND DISAPPEARS FROM SIGHT--
SHADES OF PLUTO! I MUST HAVE STEPPED INTO A TUNNEL OF TIME! THAT LOOKS LIKE THE EXIT AHEAD THERE!

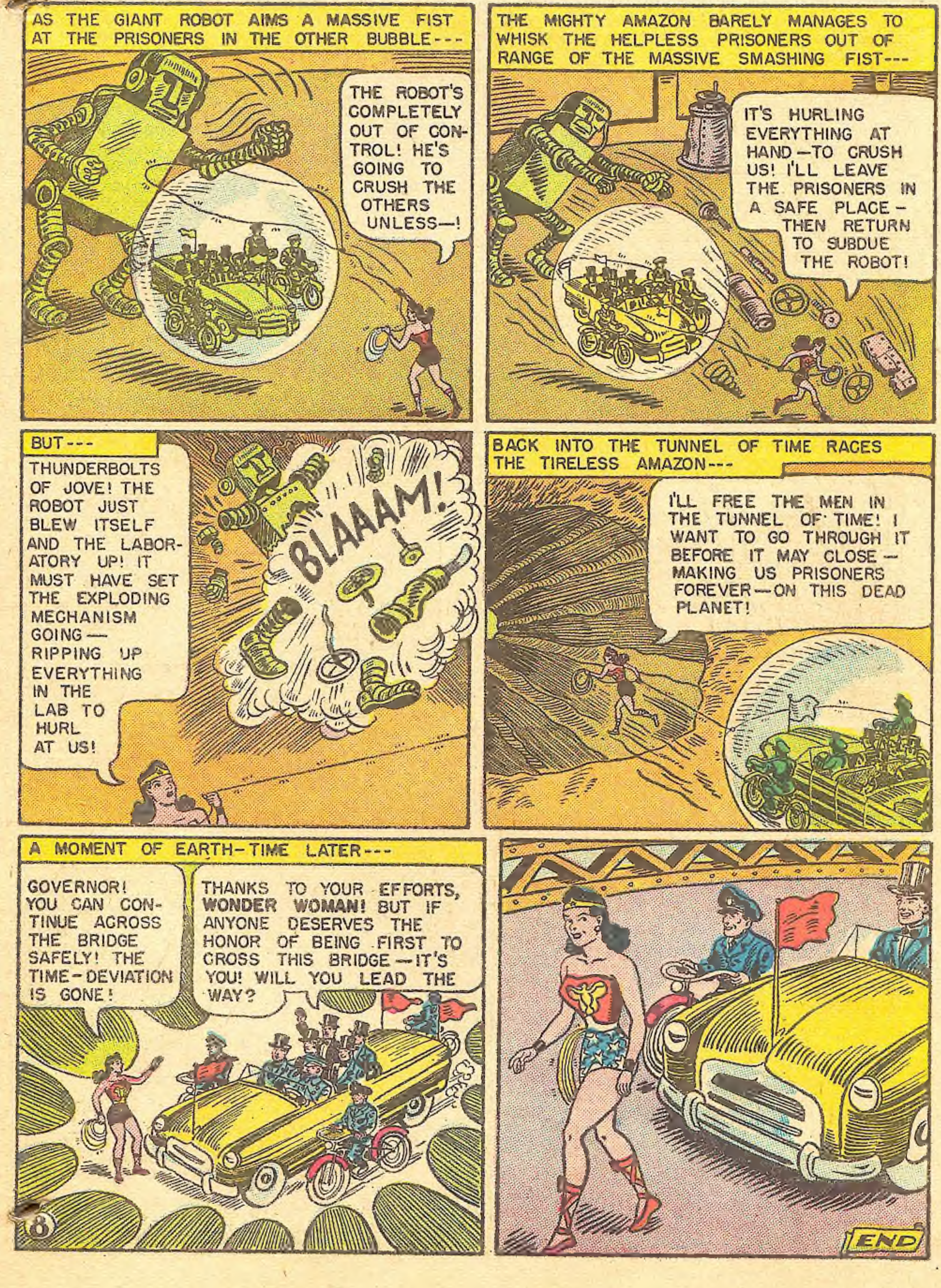

AS WONDER WOMAN EXITS FROM THE TUNNEL OF TIME---
I'M IMPRISONED IN A TRANSPARENT BUBBLE!


THE NEXT MOMENT---
THE PRESSURE OF MY FEET WHEN I ENTERED—MUST HAVE SET SOME MECHANISM IN OPERATION, SENDING MY PRISON INTO THE AIR!


OVER A STRANGE, DEVASTATED LAND SOARS THE FLYING BUBBLE---
THUNDERBOLTS OF JOVE! THE TUNNEL OF TIME LEADS INTO A DEAD PLANET! IT LOOKS AS IF EVERYTHING ON IT WAS SHRIVELED UP BY THE HEAT OF A GIANT SUN—CENTURIES AGO!


A MOMENT LATER, WONDER WOMAN'S STRANGE CARRIER STARTS DESCENDING---
IF NOTHING'S LEFT ALIVE ON THIS DESERTED PLANET, WHAT COULD BE CONTROLLING THIS —MERCIFUL MINERVA—! THERE'S THE ONLY THING STILL "ALIVE"—A ROBOT!


AS WONDER WOMAN'S FLYING CELL LANDS BESIDE THE GIANT ROBOT . . .
A HIGHLY ADVANCED RACE MUST ONCE HAVE LIVED HERE! NOW THERE'S NOTHING LEFT EXCEPT THIS ROBOT -- CONTINUING TO OPERATE IN THE RUINS OF THIS LABORATORY!
BUT WITH NO ONE TO REGULATE IT -- THE ROBOT IS OUT OF CONTROL! IT HAS ALREADY TAMPERED WITH TIME ON EARTH -- CAUSING THE CRACK IN TIME ON THE BRIDGE! THAT'S HOW WE GOT HERE! HERA KNOWS WHAT OTHER AWFUL DAMAGES IT MAY INFLICT!
PERHAPS A SHIFT IN GRAVITY -- CAUSING SKYSCRAPERS TO TOPPLE!
OR A CHANGE IN EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE REMOVING THE PROTECTIVE COVERING FROM THE PLANET!
DESPERATELY, WONDER WOMAN STRIVES TO BREAK THROUGH HER PRISON --
NOT -- HAVING ANY -- EFFECT! ALL I'VE DONE IS TO CAUSE THE BUBBLE -- TO ROLL AGAINST -- THE ROBOT --
BUT A GIANT FIST RAISES SUDDENLY AND
THE MERE TOUCH OF THE BUBBLE WAS SUFFICIENT TO SEND THE ROBOT OUT OF CONTROL!
THUD!


AS THE GIANT ROBOT AIMS A MASSIVE FIST AT THE PRISONERS IN THE OTHER BUBBLE---
THE ROBOT'S COMPLETELY OUT OF CONTROL! HE'S GOING TO CRUSH THE OTHERS UNLESS—!
THE MIGHTY AMAZON BARELY MANAGES TO WHISK THE HELPLESS PRISONERS OUT OF RANGE OF THE MASSIVE SMASHING FIST---
IT'S HURLING EVERYTHING AT HAND—TO CRUSH US! I'LL LEAVE THE PRISONERS IN A SAFE PLACE—THEN RETURN TO SUBDUE THE ROBOT!
BUT---
THUNDERBOLTS OF JOVE! THE ROBOT JUST BLEW ITSELF AND THE LABORATORY UP! IT MUST HAVE SET THE EXPLODING MECHANISM GOING—RIPPING UP EVERYTHING IN THE LAB TO HURL AT US!
BLAAAM!
BACK INTO THE TUNNEL OF TIME RACES THE TIRELESS AMAZON---
I'LL FREE THE MEN IN THE TUNNEL OF TIME! I WANT TO GO THROUGH IT BEFORE IT MAY CLOSE—MAKING US PRISONERS FOREVER—ON THIS DEAD PLANET!
A MOMENT OF EARTH-TIME LATER---
GOVERNOR! YOU CAN CONTINUE ACROSS THE BRIDGE SAFELY! THE TIME-DEVIATION IS GONE!
THANKS TO YOUR EFFORTS, **WONDER WOMAN!** BUT IF ANYONE DESERVES THE HONOR OF BEING FIRST TO CROSS THIS BRIDGE—IT'S YOU! WILL YOU LEAD THE WAY?
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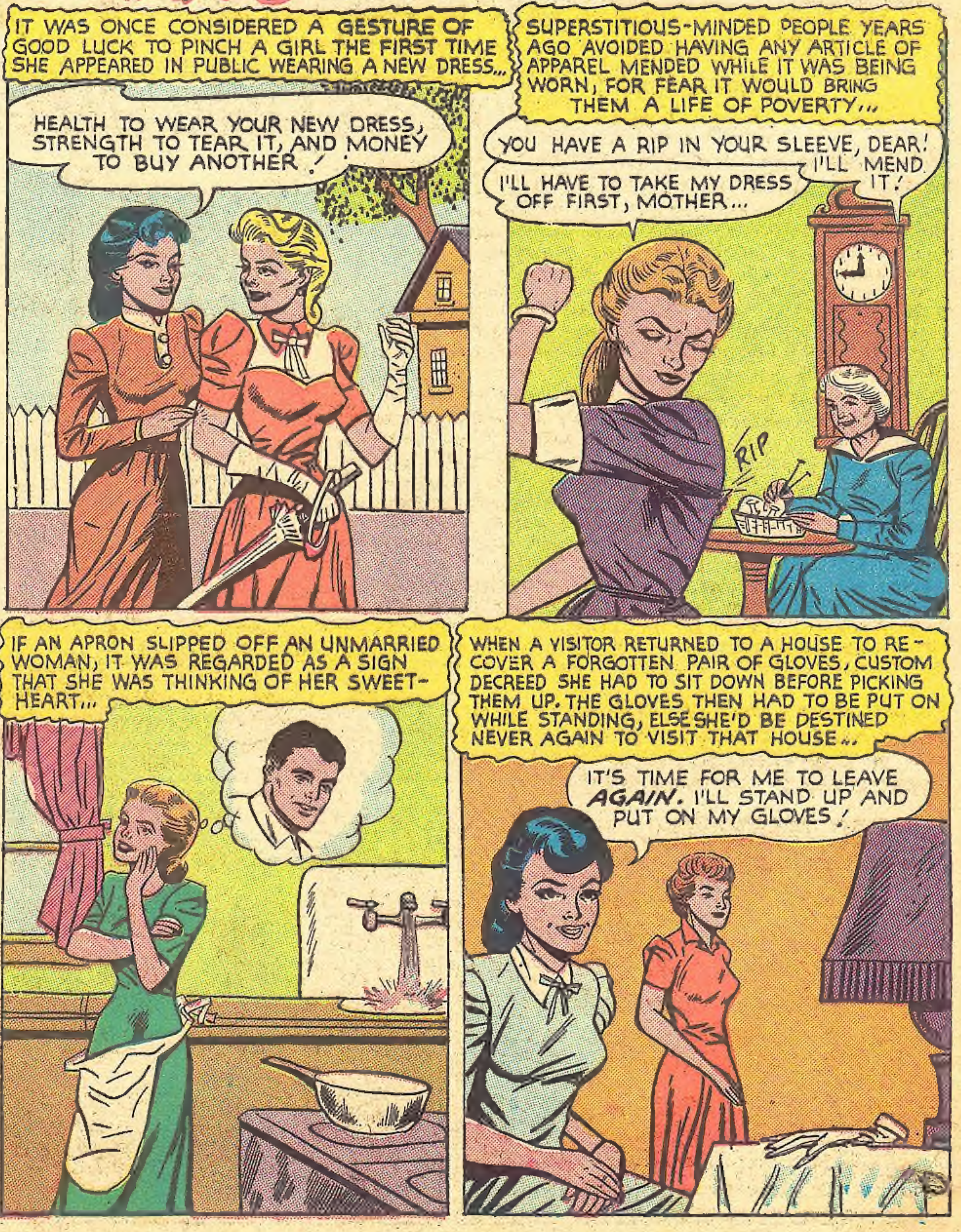
CURIOUS CLOTHING CUSTOMS!


IT WAS ONCE CONSIDERED A GESTURE OF GOOD LUCK TO PINCH A GIRL THE FIRST TIME SHE APPEARED IN PUBLIC WEARING A NEW DRESS...
HEALTH TO WEAR YOUR NEW DRESS, STRENGTH TO TEAR IT, AND MONEY TO BUY ANOTHER!
SUPERSTITIOUS-MINDED PEOPLE YEARS AGO AVOIDED HAVING ANY ARTICLE OF APPAREL MENDED WHILE IT WAS BEING WORN, FOR FEAR IT WOULD BRING THEM A LIFE OF POVERTY...
YOU HAVE A RIP IN YOUR SLEEVE, DEAR! I'LL MEND IT!
I'LL HAVE TO TAKE MY DRESS OFF FIRST, MOTHER...
RIP
IF AN APRON SLIPPED OFF AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, IT WAS REGARDED AS A SIGN THAT SHE WAS THINKING OF HER SWEETHEART...
WHEN A VISITOR RETURNED TO A HOUSE TO RECOVER A FORGOTTEN PAIR OF GLOVES, CUSTOM DECREED SHE HAD TO SIT DOWN BEFORE PICKING THEM UP. THE GLOVES THEN HAD TO BE PUT ON WHILE STANDING, ELSE SHE'D BE DESTINED NEVER AGAIN TO VISIT THAT HOUSE...
IT'S TIME FOR ME TO LEAVE *AGAIN*. I'LL STAND UP AND PUT ON MY GLOVES!

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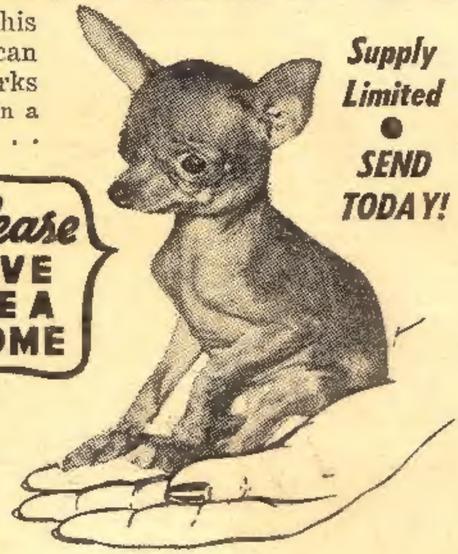

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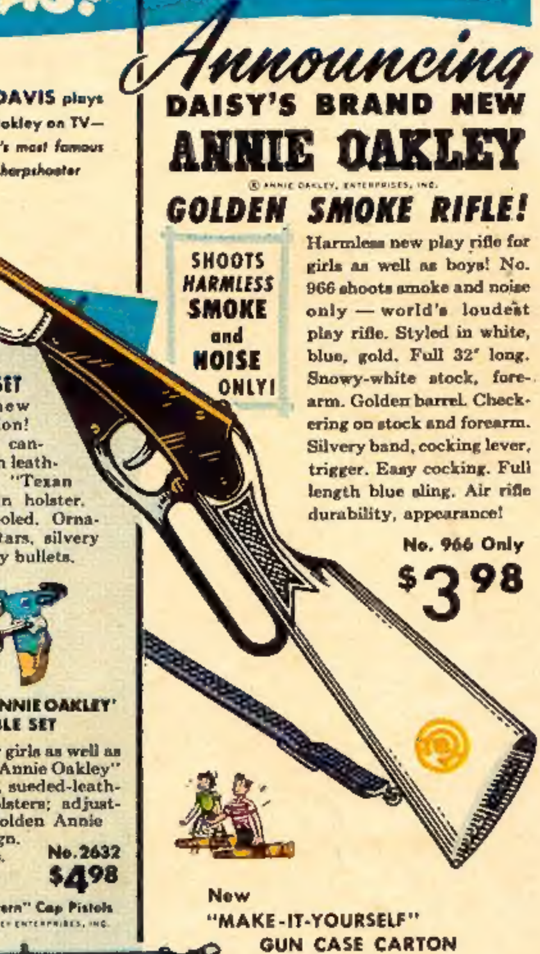

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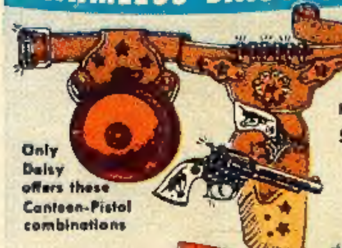

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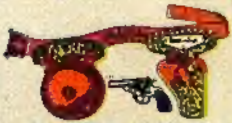

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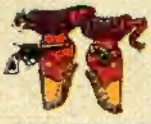

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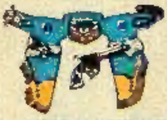

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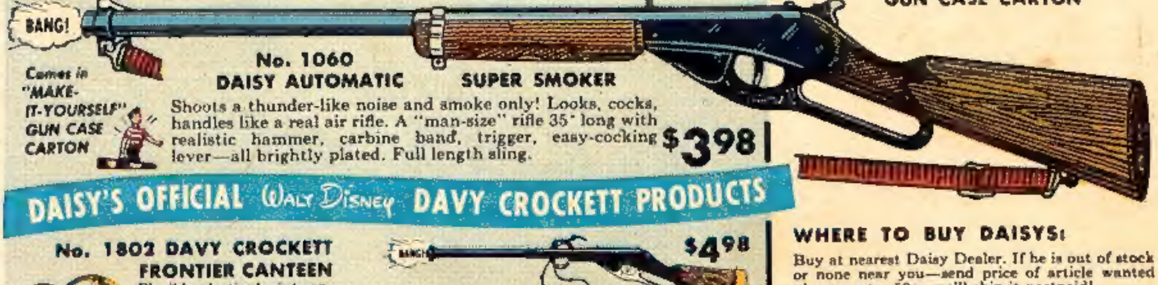

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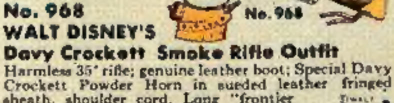

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